

COMPLAINT

2. The employment practices alleged to be unlawful were and are now being committed in San Jose, California, within the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), is the agency of the United States of America charged with the administration, interpretation, and enforcement of Title VII and is expressly authorized to bring this action by §706(f)(1) and (3) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. §2000e-5(f)(1) and (3).
- 4. At all relevant times, Defendant is and was a corporation doing business in the State of California, and has continuously had at least 15 employees.
- 5. At all relevant times, Defendant has continuously been an employer engaged in an industry affecting commerce, within the meaning of §701(b), (g), and (h) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e(b), (g), and (h).

STATEMENT OF CLAIMS

- 6. More than thirty days prior to the institution of this lawsuit, Anna Valdez McAllister filed a charge of discrimination with the EEOC alleging violations of Title VII by Defendant. All conditions precedent to the institution of this lawsuit have been fulfilled.
- 7. Since at least February 1999, Defendant has engaged in unlawful practices at its San Jose, California location in violation of §703(a)(1) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. §2000e-2(a)(1). These practices, which continued on a regular basis, included subjecting Defendant's employees to harassment on the basis of their sex, female, and/or national origin, Hispanic, which created an offensive, abusive, intimidating, and hostile work environment.
- 8. The effect of the practices complained of in paragraph 7 above has been to deprive the employees of equal employment opportunities and to otherwise adversely affect them because of their sex, female and/or national origin, Hispanic.
- 9. The unlawful employment practices complained of in paragraph 7 above were and are intentional.
- 10. The unlawful employment practices complained of in paragraph 7 above were done with malice and/or reckless indifference to the federally protected rights of the employees.

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WHEREFORE, the Commission respectfully requests that this Court:

- A. Grant a permanent injunction enjoining Defendant, its officers, successors, assigns, and all persons in active concert or participation with them, from engaging in harassment based on sex and/or national origin and any other employment practice which discriminates on the basis of sex and/or national origin.
- B. Order Defendant to institute and carry out policies, practices, and programs which provide equal employment opportunities for its employees and which eradicate the effects of its past and present unlawful employment practices.
- C. Order Defendant to make whole the employees by providing compensation for past and future pecuniary losses resulting from the unlawful employment practices described above, with interest, in amounts to be determined at trial.
- D. Order Defendant to make whole the employees by providing compensation for past and future non-pecuniary losses caused by the above unlawful conduct, including pain and suffering, emotional distress, indignity, loss of enjoyment of life, loss of self-esteem, and humiliation, in amounts to be determined at trial.
- E. Order Defendant to pay the employees punitive damages for its malicious and reckless conduct described above, in amounts to be determined at trial.
 - F. Grant such further relief as the Court deems proper.
 - G. Award the Commission its costs in this action.

JURY TRIAL DEMAND

The Commission requests a jury trial on all questions of fact raised by its complaint.

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