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Superior Court of California
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO**

JOSE ANTONIO LOPEZ, an individual, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

T.L.S. PARTS INC. DBA BENZEEN AUTO PARTS, a California Corporation, and DOES 1-50, inclusive,

Defendants.

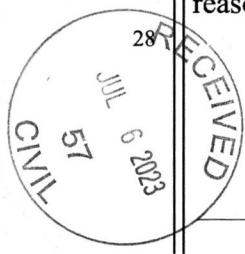
) Case No.: Case No.: 34-2022-00316927
) Assigned for all purposes to the Hon. Lauri Damrell, Dept 28

~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Date: July 28, 2023
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept: 28

The Court has before it the Motion for Preliminary Approval brought by Plaintiff JOSE ANTONIO LOPEZ. After reviewing the Motion for Preliminary Approval and the Settlement Agreement filed with the Court, and good cause appearing therefore, the Court hereby finds and orders as follows:

1. The Court finds on a preliminary basis that the settlement memorialized in the Settlement Agreement appears to be fair, adequate and reasonable, falls within the range of reasonableness, and therefore meets the requirements for preliminary approval.



1 2. The Court conditionally certifies for settlement purposes only the following classes:

2 A. *Class Members*: all persons who were employed by BENZEEN
3 and worked as non-exempt employees in California at any time from
4 March 15, 2018, through June 30, 2023.

5 3. The Court finds, for purposes of settlement only, that the Class of California Class
6 Members meets the requirements for certification under section 382 of the California Code of Civil
7 Procedure in that: (1) the Class is so numerous that joinder is impracticable; (2) there are questions
8 of law and fact that are common, or of general interest, to all Settlement Class Members, which
9 predominate over individual issues; (3) the Named Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of
10 the Class; (4) the Named Plaintiff and Plaintiff's counsel will fairly and adequately protect the
11 interests of the Class; and (5) a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and
12 efficient adjudication of the controversy.

13 4. The Court appoints for settlement purposes only, Named Plaintiff JOSE ANTONIO
14 LOPEZ as class representative.

15 5. The Court appoints for settlement purposes only Law Offices of Sahag Majarian
16 and Koul Law Firm as Class Counsel.

17 6. The Court appoints CPT Group, Inc. as the Settlement Administrator.

18 7. The parties are ordered to carry out the settlement according to the terms of the
19 Settlement Agreement.

20 8. The Court orders the following implementation schedule:

21 a. Deadline to mail notices to Class Members: 04/15/2023.

22 b. Deadline for serving and filing Motion for Final Approval: 04/15/
23 2023.

24 c. Final Approval Hearing: 04/15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m./p.m.

25 9. The Court approves the form and content of the Notice of the proposed settlement
26 which advise Class Members and PAGA Members of the settlement terms, the preliminary
27 approval of the Settlement, and the scheduling of the Final Approval Hearing.
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1 10. The Court finds that the dates selected for the mailing and distribution of the Notice
2 meet the requirements of due process, provides the best notice practicable under the circumstances,
3 and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto.

4 11. The Notice is hereby found to be the best means practicable of providing notice
5 under the circumstances, and, when completed, shall constitute due and sufficient notice of the
6 class and representative action, proposed settlement, and the final approval hearing to all persons
7 affected by and/or authorized to participate in the settlement, in full compliance with due process
8 and the notice requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 877.6.
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10 IT IS SO ORDERED.



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12 Dated: R | A | G | E | C | H

13 _____
14 Hon. Lauri Damrell
15 Judge of the Superior Court
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PROOF OF SERVICE

Case No. 34-2022-00316927

Lopez v. T.L.S. Parts Inc. dba Benzeen Auto Parts

I, NAZO KOULLOUKIAN declare that I am a resident of or employed in the County of Los Angeles, California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the entitled case. The name and address of my residence or business is KOUL LAW FIRM, 3435 Wilshire Blvd. Ste. 1710, Los Angeles, California 90010.

On July 6, 2023, I served the foregoing document described as:

[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

_____ by placing the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope, addressed as set forth below, and placing the envelope for collection and mailing in the place designated for such in our offices, following ordinary business practices.

_____ by transmitting via facsimile the document(s) listed above to the fax number(s) set forth below on this date before 5:00PM.

X _____ by transmitting via electronic mail the document(s) listed above to the electronic mailing address set forth below on this date.

_____ by causing a true copy thereof to be personally delivered to the person(s) at the address(es) set forth below.

on the parties listed below by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing in the United States Postal Service following ordinary business practices at Los Angeles, California addressed as follows:

SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST

I am readily familiar with the ordinary practice of the business of collecting, processing and depositing correspondence in the United States Postal Service and that the correspondence will be deposited the same day with postage thereon fully prepaid.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this July 6, 2023, in Los Angeles, California.



NAZO KOULLOUKIAN

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