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9	FOR THE COUNTY	Y OF SAN BERNARDINO			
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12	GWENDOLYN ADAMS, individually, and as successor in interest to D'SON WOODS,	CASE NO.: CIVDS 1831184			
13	deceased; and GLENN TYLER BOLDEN, an individual,))) EIDET AMENDED COMBLADYS SOD			
14) FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR) DAMAGES FOR:			
15	Plaintiffs,	 NEGLIGENCE; NEGLIGENCE – WRONGFUL DEATH; 			
16 17 18 19 20	v. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity, MICHAEL WILLIAM BECKER, an individual, and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, Defendants.	 AEGLIGENCE - SURVIVAL ACTION; A2 U.S.C. § 1983 - WRONGFUL DEATH 42 U.S.C. § 1983 - DEPRIVATION OF THE RIGHTS OF PLAINTIFF TO FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE DECEDENT; BANE ACT - CIVIL CODE § 52.1; and ASSAULT & BATTERY 			
21		 PLAINTIFFS REQUESTS TRIAL BY JURY			
22	,	[ILAINTIFFS REQUESTS INIAL DI JURI]			
23	COMES NOW Plaintiffs GWENDOL	YN ADAMS individually and as successor in interest			
24	COMES NOW Plaintiffs, GWENDOLYN ADAMS, individually, and as successor in interest to D'SON WOODS, deceased, and GLENN TYLER BOLDEN, individually, (collectively				
25		plaint for Causes of Action against DEFENDANT			
26		CTIONS AND REHABILITATION and MICHAEL			
27	WILLIAM BECKER, and DOES 1–50, Inclus	ive, and each of them (collectively hereinafter referred			
28	to as "DEFENDANTS"), and complain and all	ege as follows:			
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PARTIES

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At all times relevant and mentioned herein, Plaintiff, GWENDOLYN ADAMS
 (hereinafter "ADAMS"), was and is a resident of San Bernardino County, State of California.

4 2. At all times relevant and mentioned herein, Plaintiff, GLENN TYLER BOLDEN
5 (hereinafter "BOLDEN"), was and is a resident of San Bernardino County, State of California.

6 3. Plaintiffs are informed, believe, and thereon allege, that Defendant MICHAEL WILLIAM
7 BECKER (hereinafter "BECKER") was, and is, a resident of the City of Yucaipa, County of San
8 Bernardino, California.

9 4. Defendant, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND
10 REHABILITATION (hereinafter "CDCR"), is a public agency subject to suit. Defendant BECKER
11 was, at all time relevant hereto, a DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION
12 Corrections Officer acting within the course and scope of his employment, and under color of state law.

5. 13 Plaintiffs are informed, believe, and thereon allege that at all times relevant and mentioned herein, Defendants and/or DOES 1-50, and each of them, were the agents, servants, 14 15 employees, and/or successors in interest, and/or joint venturers of their co-Defendants, and each of them 16 was acting within the course, scope, and authority of said agency, employment, and/or venture, and that 17 each and every Defendant, as aforesaid, when acting as a principal, was negligent in the selection and 18 hiring, retention, training and supervision of each and every other Defendant as an agent, employee and/or joint venturer. Further, that each said Defendant, while acting as a principal, expressly directed, 19 20 consented to, approved, affirmed, and ratified each and every action taken by their co-defendants, as alleged. Plaintiffs are informed, believe, and thereon allege that said fictitiously named Defendants 21 22 and/or DOES 1- 50, and each of them, engaged in the same or similar conduct as Defendants and/or 23 DOES 1-50, thereby proximately causing DECEDENT and BOLDEN'S injuries and damages as set 24 forth herein, either through the said fictitious Defendants' own negligent conduct or through the conduct 25 of its agents, servants, or employees, or due to their ownership, rental, use, or maintenance of the property operated by Defendant, BECKER. 26

Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that at all times herein relevant,
 Defendant, BECKER, was employed by DOES 1 – 50 and was at all times herein relevant acting within

1 the course and scope of his duties for DOES 1-50.

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

7. The claims set forth herein arise from a an incident that occurred on August 1, 2018, in
San Bernardino County within the judicial district of the San Bernardino Superior Court, State of
California, which resulted in catastrophic injuries to D'SON WOODS (hereinafter "DECEDENT") and
BOLDEN, which ultimately caused the death of DECEDENT (hereinafter referred to as the "SUBJECT
INCIDENT").

8. DECEDENT and BOLDEN's catastrophic injuries occurred on the I-10 Freeway near the
 9 I-215 Freeway interchange in San Bernardino County within the judicial district of the San Bernardino
 10 Superior Court. Therefore this is the proper Court in which to bring this action pursuant to *Code of Civil* 11 *Procedure* §§ 395 and 396. PLAINTIFF ADAMS attaches herewith as "Exhibit A", her declaration
 12 under penalty of perjury as required by *Code of Civil Procedure* § 377.32

9. Plaintiff, ADAMS, timely filed her administrative claims with the State of California on
June 25, 2020 pursuant to California *Government Code* § 910. The claims were denied by operation of
law and this action timely filed.

16 10. Plaintiff, ADAMS, is the proper party with standing to pursue wrongful death claims and
17 a survival action pursuant to California *Code of Civil Procedure* § 377.60.

18 11. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that pursuant to California 19 Government Code §§ 815.2, 815.4, and 820(a), Defendants and/or DOES 1-50, and each of them, are 20 vicariously liable for the action and omissions of their employees, agents, and/or independent 21 contractors.

12. On August 1, 2018, the date of the SUBJECT INCIDENT, Defendant, BECKER, was
operating a 2017 Nissan Altima (hereinafter "SUBJECT VEHICLE"). Plaintiffs are informed and
believe, and thereon allege, at all times relevant and mentioned herein, the SUBJECT VEHICLE was
owned, operated, managed, maintained, inspected, and/or otherwise controlled by Defendants and/or
DOES 1 – 50, and each of them.

27 13. On August 1, 2018, DECEDENT and his passenger, Plaintiff, BOLDEN, were the
28 restrained occupants of a 2006 Lexus ES (hereinafter "DECEDENT'S VEHICLE"). DECEDENT and

1 BOLDEN were traveling westbound on the I-10 Freeway, transitioning onto the southbound I-215 2 Freeway. At the same time, Defendant BECKER, a corrections officer employed by Defendants and/or 3 DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, who was in uniform and armed at the time, was following closely 4 behind DECEDENT'S VEHICLE while acting in his official capacity as a Correction Officer under 5 color of law and within the course and scope of his employment. Suddenly and without warning, Defendant, BECKER, in an effort to detain DECEDENT and BOLDEN without probable cause, pointed 6 7 his firearm in an aggressive and threatening manner towards DECEDENT and BOLDEN and then 8 violently rear-ended DECEDENT'S VEHICLE, causing DECEDENT's VEHICLE to veer out of 9 control, overturn, roll down an embankment, and burst into flames.

10 14. At said time and place, Defendants and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, had a duty to exercise reasonable care in the ownership, supervision, operation, control, and maintenance of the 11 12 SUBJECT VEHICLE, so as not to create an unreasonable risk of harm to others using the public 13 roadway. Despite these duties, Defendants, and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, negligently, 14 recklessly, and carelessly managed, maintained, drove, operated, controlled, entrusted, and supervised 15 the operation of the SUBJECT VEHICLE, so as to directly and proximately cause it to collide with 16 DECEDENT'S VEHICLE while DECEDENT was traveling as previously stated, thereby causing 17 DECEDENT and Plaintiff, BOLDEN, to suffer catastrophic injuries including severe burns over a 18 majority of DECEDENT'S body. After more than year of enduring such catastrophic injuries and severe 19 burns, DECEDENT ultimately succumbed to his injuries and died on March 12, 2020 resulting in 20 DECEDENT's and Plaintiffs' damages as herein alleged.

15. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that at all times herein relevant, 21 22 Defendant BECKER was driving the SUBJECT VEHICLE, which was owned, leased, controlled, 23 maintained, managed, operated, and used by Defendants and/or DOES 1-50, and which was entrusted to Defendant, BECKER, so that he could perform the duties of his employment. Plaintiffs are informed 24 25 and believe, and thereon allege, that at all times herein relevant, Defendants and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, authorized Defendant, BECKER, to use the SUBJECT VEHICLE for purposes that 26 27 Defendant, BECKER, saw fit during the course and scope of his duties as a Peace Officer and/or 28 Defendant, BECKER, had occasion to use the vehicle for the convenience of his employer, the CDCR.

As a result of the SUBJECT INCIDENT, DECEDENT and Plaintiff, BOLDEN, suffered 1 16. severe, traumatic, debilitating, and permanent injuries that necessitated significant medical care. 2 3 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION **NEGLIGENCE** 4 [By Plaintiff, Glenn Tyler Bolden, Against All Defendants] 5 Plaintiff repeats and reallege the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 16, 17. 6 hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein. 7 Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, at all times relevant 8 18. and mentioned herein, Defendants, and each of them, owed a duty of care to all reasonably foreseeable 9 10 people, including Plaintiff, BOLDEN, to own, lease, manage, maintain, entrust, operate, drive, and/or control the SUBJECT VEHICLE in a reasonable manner. 11 Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, at all times relevant 12 19. and mentioned herein, Defendants, and each of them, carelessly and negligently owned, leased, managed, 13 maintained, and/or entrusted the SUBJECT VEHICLE to Defendant, BECKER, who carelessly and 14 negligently operated, drove, and/or controlled the SUBJECT VEHICLE, so as to legally, directly, and 15 16 proximately cause the SUBJECT INCIDENT. 17 20. Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants, and each of them, breached their duty to own, lease, manage, maintain, entrust, control, and/or operate the 18 SUBJECT VEHICLE in a reasonable manner, thereby causing bodily injury to Plaintiff, BOLDEN. 19 Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants, and each 20 21. of them, were agents, servants, employees, successors in interest, and/or joint venturers of their co-21 defendants, and were, as such, acting within the course, scope, and authority of said agency, employment 22 and/or venture, and that each and every Defendant, as aforesaid, when acting as a principal, was 23 negligent in the selection of each and every other Defendant as an agent, servant, employee, successor 24 25 in interest, and/or joint venturer. Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned 26 22. herein, Defendants, and each of them, carelessly and negligently, owned, leased, managed, maintained, 27 controlled, entrusted and/or operated the SUBJECT VEHICLE so as to legally and proximately cause 28

the same to collide with Plaintiffs' VEHICLE, causing bodily injuries to Plaintiff, BOLDEN.

2 23. More specifically, Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, 3 at all times relevant and mentioned herein, that Defendant BECKER carelessly and negligently operated, 4 drove, and/or controlled the SUBJECT VEHICLE, owned and operated by Defendants, and each of 5 them, in violation of California *Vehicle Code* § 22350 by driving at a speed greater than is reasonable 6 or prudent due regarding for the circumstances, thereby violently colliding with DECEDENT'S 7 VEHICLE.

8 24. Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, at all times relevant
9 and mentioned herein, said careless and negligent conduct of Defendants, and each of them, in regard
10 to the ownership, leasing, management, maintenance, entrustment, operation, driving, and/or control of
11 the SUBJECT VEHICLE was the direct, legal and proximate cause of the injuries and damages to
12 Plaintiff, BOLDEN, as herein alleged.

As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of the Defendants, 13 25. and each of them, Plaintiff, BOLDEN, was injured and hurt in his health, strength and/or activity, 14 sustaining serious injuries to his body, and/or shock and injury to his nervous system and person, all of 15 which said injuries have caused and continue to cause Plaintiff, BOLDEN, great physical and/or mental 16 Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is further informed, believes, and thereon alleges that said 17 pain and suffering. injuries will result in some permanent disability to him, all to his general damage in an amount which 18 will be stated according to proof at the time of trial. 19

26. As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of DEFENDANTS,
and each of them, Plaintiff, BOLDEN, sustained damage to his property in an amount which will be
stated according to proof at the time of trial.

23 27. As a legal, direct and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of Defendants, and
24 each of them, Plaintiff, BOLDEN, was prevented from attending his usual occupation and/or Plaintiff,
25 BOLDEN, is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that he will be prevented from attending to his
26 occupation in the future, and thereby will also sustain a loss of earning capacity and loss of opportunity,
27 in addition to lost earnings, past, present, and future according to proof at the time of trial.

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As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the conduct of the Defendants, and each of 1 28. them, Plaintiff, BOLDEN, was compelled to and did employ the services of hospitals, physicians, 2 surgeons, nurses and the like, to care for and treat him, and did incur hospital, medical, professional and 3 incidental expenses, and Plaintiff, BOLDEN, is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that by 4 reason of his injuries, he will necessarily incur additional like expenses for an indefinite period of time 5 in the future, the exact amount of which expenses will be stated according to proof at the time of trial. 6 **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION** 7 **NEGLIGENCE - WRONGFUL DEATH** 8 [By Plaintiff, Gwendolyn Adams, Against All Defendants] 9

Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 28, 10 29. hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein. 11

Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times herein 12 30. mentioned, Defendant BECKER was an employee and/or agent of the CDCR, acting within the course 13 and scope of that agency or employment or servility of Defendants and/or DOES 1-50, and each of them. 14 Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that on and prior to 15 31. August 1, 2018, Defendants and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, owed a duty of reasonable care to 16 DECEDENT, and Defendants and/or DOES 1- 50, breached that duty when they failed to act in a 17 reasonable manner. 18

Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, at all times relevant 19 32. and mentioned herein, Defendants and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, owed a duty of care to all 20 21 reasonably foreseeable people, including DECEDENT, to own, lease, manage, maintain, entrust, operate, 22 drive, and/or control the SUBJECT VEHICLE in a reasonable manner.

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Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, at all times relevant 33. and mentioned herein, Defendants and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, carelessly and negligently 24 owned, operated, drove, leased, managed, maintained, and/or entrusted the SUBJECT VEHICLE so as 25 to legally, directly, and proximately cause the SUBJECT INCIDENT. 26

Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants and/or 27 34. DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, breached their duty of care to own, operate, drive, lease, manage, 28

maintain, entrust, and/or control the SUBJECT VEHICLE in a reasonable manner, so as to legally and
 proximately cause the same to collide with DECEDENT'S VEHICLE, thereby causing DECEDENT's
 death and damages to Plaintiff, ADAMS.

35. More specifically, Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that, at
all times relevant and mentioned herein, Defendant, BECKER, carelessly and negligently operated,
drove, and/or controlled the SUBJECT VEHICLE, owned by Defendants and/or DOES 1 – 50, thereby
colliding with DECEDENT'S VEHICLE during the SUBJECT INCIDENT.

8 36. Plaintiff, ADAMS, is informed, believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants and/or 9 DOES 1 – 50, and each of them, were the agents, servants, employees, successors in interest, and/or 10 joint venturers of their co-Defendants, and were, as such, acting within the course, scope, and authority 11 of said agency, employment and/or venture, and that each and every Defendant, as aforesaid, while 12 acting as a principal, was negligent in the selection of each and every other Defendant as an agent, 13 servant, employee, successor in interest, and/or joint venturer.

As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of the Defendants
and/or DOES 1 – 50, and each of them, DECEDENT suffered severe, traumatic, irreparable injuries to
his body, nervous system and person, all of which said injuries ultimately caused DECEDENT's death
on March 12, 2020.

38. As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of the Defendants
and/or DOES 1 – 50, and each of them, Plaintiff, ADAMS, lost the life of her son and sustained damages
in an amount that will be stated according to proof at the time of trial, pursuant to California *Code of Civil Procedure* § 425.10.

39. As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of the Defendants
and/or DOES 1 – 50, and each of them, Plaintiff, ADAMS, has sustained and is entitled to recover
damages pursuant to California *Code of Civil Procedure* § 377.60 *et seq.*, and based upon all other
applicable statutes and case law, including but not limited to pecuniary losses, losses of support,
services, parental and filial training, education, love, assistance, protection, care, comfort, society,
solace, moral support, guidance, prospective inheritance, emotional distress, grief, and sorrow.

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Plaintiff, ADAMS, has been deprived of, among many other things: (1) the value of lost 40. 1 financial and other support that DECEDENT would have contributed to his family and estate during his 2 lifetime; (2) the value of the gifts and benefits that he would have bestowed upon her and that she 3 reasonably expected to receive from him; (3) the cost of funeral and burial expenses incurred; and (4) 4 the reasonable value of household services that DECEDENT would have provided. 5 THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION 6 **NEGLIGENCE - SURVIVAL ACTION** 7 [By Plaintiff, Gwendolyn Adams, Against All Defendants] 8 Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 40, 9 41. hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein. 10 As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of the Defendants 11 42. and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, DECEDENT was required to and did employ physicians and 12 surgeons for medical examinations, treatment, and care of his injuries and did incur medical and 13 14 incidental expenses in an amount according to proof at the time of trial. 15 As a legal, direct, and proximate result of the aforementioned conduct of the Defendants 43. and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, DECEDENT was unable to attend to his usual occupation and 16 17 has been damaged in a sum according to proof at the time of trial. 18 44. As a result of the foregoing, Plaintiff, ADAMS, as the heir of DECEDENT and as his successor in interest, hereby asserts survivors' claims on behalf of him, the deceased, pursuant to 19 California Code of Civil Procedure §§ 377.10, 377.20, 377.30, et seq., and based upon all other 20 applicable statutes and case law and succeeds to causes of action that might have been brought by 21 DECEDENT. Plaintiff, ADAMS, will file a declaration under penalty of perjury as required by Code 22 of Civil Procedure § 377.32 concurrently herewith this Complaint. 23 As such, Plaintiff, ADAMS, is entitled to compensation for DECEDENT's medical 45. 24 25 expenses, loss of earnings and earning capacity. 26 11 27 11 28 11

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

42 U.S.C. § 1983 – WRONGFUL DEATH

[By Plaintiff, Gwendolyn Adams, Against Defendant MICHAEL BECKER and Does 1 - 50)

46. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 45, hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein.

Defendant, Corrections Officer BECKER, and/or DOES 1-50, and each of them, acting 47. 6 under color of state law, deprived the Decedent of rights, privileges, and immunities secured by the 7 Constitution and laws of the United States, including those secured by the Fourth Amendment to the 8 Constitution, incorporated and made applicable to the states by the Fourteenth Amendment, by, among 9 other things, subjecting Decedent to excessive force including, but not limited to, attempting to detain 10 Decedent and Bolden without probable cause by pointing his firearm in an aggressive and threatening 11 manner towards Decedent and Bolden and then violently rear-ending DECEDENT'S VEHICLE, causing 12 DECEDENT's VEHICLE to veer out of control, overturn, roll down an embankment, and burst into 13 14 flames.

48. The resulting collision between Defendant BECKER's vehicle and DECEDENT'S
VEHICLE caused DECEDENT to suffer catastrophic injuries including severe burns over a majority of
his body. After more than year of enduring such catastrophic injuries and severe burns, Decedent
ultimately succumbed to his injuries and died on March 12, 2020 resulting in Decedent's and Plaintiff's
damages as herein alleged.

49. Plaintiff is the proper party with standing to pursue this wrongful death claim under 42
U.S.C. § 1983, pursuant to California *Code of Civil Procedure* § 377.60.

50. Plaintiff has been damaged, including pecuniary loss and other compensable injuries
esulting from loss of love, society, comfort, attention, services, and support of the Decedent, in an
amount in accordance with proof at the time of trial.

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FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

42 U.S.C. § 1983 – DEPRIVATION OF THE RIGHTS OF

PLAINTIFF TO FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE DECEDENT

[By Plaintiff, Gwendolyn Adams, Against Defendant, Michael Becker, and Does 1 - 50]

5 51. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 50,
6 hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein.

52. Defendant, Corrections Officer BECKER, and/or DOES 1–50, and each of them, acting under color of state law, deprived Plaintiff of her right to a familial relationship with the Decedent without due process of law in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment by their conscience shocking use of unreasonable, unjustified force and violence, which violated Decedent's Fourth-Amendment rights, causing catastrophic injuries, which resulted in the Decedent's death, all without provocation justification or probable cause.

13 53. As a proximate result of the foregoing wrongful acts of Defendants, BECKER, and/or
14 DOES 1 - 50, and each of them, Plaintiff sustained general damages, including grief, emotional distress
15 and pain and suffering and loss of comfort and society, and special damages, including loss of support,
16 in an amount in accordance with proof.

In doing the foregoing wrongful acts, Defendants BECKER, and/or DOES 1-50, and each
of them, acted in reckless and callous disregard for the constitutional rights of the Decedent. The
wrongful acts, and each of them, were willful, oppressive, fraudulent, and malicious, thus warranting
the award of punitive and exemplary damages against each individual defendant (but not the entity
defendants, which are immune from such damages) in an amount adequate to punish the wrongdoers and
deter future misconduct.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

BANE ACT – CIVIL CODE § 52.1

[By Plaintiff, Gwendolyn Adams, Against ALL DEFENDANTS and/or DOES 1-50]

26 55. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 54,
27 hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein.

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56. The United States Constitution, Amendment IV, and the California Constitution, Art. I,
 § 13, guarantee the right of persons to be free from unreasonable seizures and excessive force.
 Defendants, and/or DOES 1 – 50, and each of them, by engaging in the wrongful conduct alleged herein,
 denied this right to the Decedent and Plaintiff, thus giving rise to claims for damages pursuant to
 California *Civil Code* § 52.1.

57. Plaintiff is the proper party with standing, as Decedent's successor in interest, to pursue
a claim for violations of the Bane Act (*Civil Code* § 52.1) pursuant to California *Code of Civil Procedure* § 377.60.

9 58. As a direct and proximate cause of the aforementioned acts of Defendants, and/or DOES 10 1-50, and each of them, Decedent and Plaintiff ADAMS were injured as set forth above, and are 11 entitled to statutory damages under California *Civil Code* § 52, as well as compensatory damages, and 12 punitive damages against the individual defendants only (the entity defendants are immune) according 13 to proof.

SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION 14 **ASSAULT & BATTERY** 15 [By Plaintiff, Gwendolyn Adams, Against ALL DEFENDANTS and/or DOES 1-50] 16 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 - 58, 17 59. hereinabove, and incorporates the same as though fully set forth herein. 18 Defendant, BECKER and/or DOES 1 - 50, and each of them assaulted and battered the 19 60. Decedent, causing his death. 20In doing the foregoing wrongful acts, Defendant, BECKER and/or DOES 1 - 50, and 21 61. each of them, acted in reckless and callous disregard for the constitutional rights of Plaintiff ADAMS 22 and the Decedent. The wrongful acts, and each of them, were willful, oppressive, fraudulent, and 23 malicious, thus warranting an award of punitive damages against each individual Defendant (but not the 24 entity Defendant, which is immune) in an amount adequate to punish the wrongdoers and deter future 25 misconduct. 26 As a direct and proximate cause of the aforementioned acts of Defendants, and/or DOES 62. 27 1-50, and each of them, as hereinabove described, Decedent and Plaintiff ADAMS were injured as set 28

1	forth above, and are entitled to compensatory and exemplary and punitive damages according to proof.	
2	PRAYER FOR DAMAGES	
3	WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, GWENDOLYN ADAMS, individually, and as successor in interest	
4	to D'SON WOODS, deceased, and GLENN BOLDEN hereby pray for judgment against Defendants and	
5	DOES $1-50$, and each of them, as follows:	
6	ON THE FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION:	
7	1. For general damages (also known as non-economic damages), including but not limited	
8	to, past and future physical, mental, and emotional pain and suffering in an amount in excess of the	
9	jurisdictional minimum, according to proof;	
10	2. For special damages (also known as economic damages), including but not limited to	,
11	past and future hospital, medical, professional, and incidental expenses as well as past and future loss	;
12	of earnings, loss of opportunity, and loss of earning capacity, in excess of the jurisdictional minimum	,
13	according to proof;	
14	3. For prejudgment interest, according to proof;	
15	4. For damages for Plaintiffs' other losses, according to proof;	
16	ON THE SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION:	
17	5. For the loss to Plaintiff, ADAMS, of the love, aid, comfort and society due to the death	1
18	of DECEDENT, according to proof at the time of trial;	
19	6. For Plaintiff's loss of economic support from DECEDENT in an amount according to	,
20	proof at the time of trial;	
21	7. For funeral and burial expenses incurred by Plaintiff in a sum according to proof;	
22	ON THE THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION:	
23	8. For DECEDENT's medical bills incurred attempting to save his life from the date of the	e e
24	SUBJECT INCIDENT on August 1, 2018 through the date of DECEDENT's death on March 12, 2020	;
25	ON THE FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION:	
26	9. For the loss of the value of Decedent's life to himself, and for Decedent's pre-death pair	1
27	and suffering recoverable by Plaintiff (Chaudry v. City of Los Angeles (2014) 751 F. 3d 1096);	
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For reasonable attorney's fees and expenses of litigation pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1988;
 The for exemplary and punitive damages against Defendants MICHAEL BECKER and
 DOES 1 - 50, and each of them (except the immune public entity defendant) in an amount sufficient to
 make an example of those Defendants and to deter future misconduct, in an amount according to proof
 at the time of trial;

6 ON THE FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION:

712.For exemplary and punitive damages against the Defendants MICHAEL BECKER and8DOES 1 - 50, and each of them (except the immune public entity defendant) in an amount sufficient to9make an example of those Defendants and to deter future misconduct, in an amount according to proof10at the time of trial allowable pursuant to *Civil Code* § 52(b)(1);

11 ON THE SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION:

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- 13. For statutory damages allowable pursuant to *Civil Code* § 52(b)(2);
- 13 14. For reasonable attorney's fees and expenses of litigation allowable pursuant to *Civil Code*14 §§ 52(b)(3) and 52.1(i);
- 15 15. For exemplary and punitive damages against the Defendants MICHAEL BECKER and
 16 DOES 1 50, and each of them (except the immune public entity defendant) in an amount sufficient to
 17 make an example of those Defendants and to deter future misconduct, in an amount according to proof
 18 at the time of trial;
- 19 ON THE SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION:

20 16. For exemplary and punitive damages against the Defendants MICHAEL BECKER and 21 DOES 1-50, and each of them (except the immune public entity defendant) in an amount sufficient to 22 make an example of those Defendants and to deter future misconduct, in an amount according to proof 23 at the time of trial;

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1	ON ALL CAI	USES OF ACTION:	
2	17. For pre-judgment and post-judgment interest; and		
3	18.		orther relief as the Court may deem just and proper.
4	DATED: Octo		Respectfully submitted,
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11			deceased, and GLEN TYLER BOLDEN
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16			ADAMS, individually, and as DECEDENT, D'SON WOOD's
17	successor in i	nterest, and GLEN BC	DLDEN, hereby demand a trial by jury as to all causes of action.
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19	DATED: Oct	ober 22, 2020	Respectfully submitted,
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24			FEDERICO C. SAYRE, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiffs GWENDOLYN ADAMS, individually, and
25 26			as successor in interest to D'SON WOODS, deceased, and GLEN TYLER BOLDEN
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		FIRST-	AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES
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8	Attorneys for Plaintiffs			
9	GWENDOLYN ADAMS and GLENN BOLDEN			
11	IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF 7	IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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13	UNLIMITED JUI	UNLIMITED JURISDICTION		
14	GWENDOYLN ADAMS as successor in interests of D'SON WOODS, deceased; and GLENN	Case No.: CIVDS1831184 PLAINTIFFS GWENDOYLN ADAMS		
15 16	TYLER BOLDEN, Plaintiffs,	AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL		
17	v .	PROCEDURE SECTION 377.32 [filed concurrently herewith the		
18	CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, 2	First-Amended Complaint]		
19	public entity, MICHAEL WILLIAM BECKER, an individual, and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive,			
20	Defendant.			
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23	PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF	CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 377.32		
25	(filed concurrently here	with the Complaint)		
26	I, GWENDOYLN ADAMS, hereby declare	the following:		
27	1. The decedent in the subject litigati	on is my son, D'SON WOODS, who died on		
28	March 12, 2020, in the City of Ontario, County of	San Bernardino, California.		
	AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA	CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE § 377.32		

1	2. This is no proceeding is now pending in California for administration of decedent's
2	estate.
3	3. I am the decedent's successor in interest (as defined in Code of Civil Procedure § 377.1)
4	and succeed to the decedent's interest in the action or proceeding.
5	4. There is no other person that has a superior right to commence the action or
6	proceeding or to be substituted for the decedent in the pending action or proceeding.
7	5. Decedent D'SON WOODS' Certificate of Death is attached hereto as "Exhibit 1."
8	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
9	is true and correct.
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12	Dated: October 19, 2020 <u>GWENDOYLN ADAMS</u>
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