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#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

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- **I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".

II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below. United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here. United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box. Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment

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Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; **NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.**)

- **III.** Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- **IV.** Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerk(s) in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the six boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

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- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P. Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction. Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

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DAVID BARRETT, individually, Plaintiff(s)	Case No.			
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vs.				
KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN OF	JURY TRIAL REQUESTED			
THE NORTHWEST aba KAISER				
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Defendant(s).				

# **INTRODUCTION**

1.

Plaintiff, DAVID BARRETT alleges race discrimination, retaliation for complaining of

race discrimination, and violation of state and federal family leave laws against his former

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employer KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN OF THE NORTHWEST dba KAISER PERMANENTE (hereinafter "Kaiser").

# JURISDICTION AND VENUE

### 2.

Jurisdiction is proper in the United States District Court District of Oregon because plaintiff is bringing claims pursuant to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Venue in the Portland Division is proper because the events giving rise to this action occurred in Multnomah County and the parties and witnesses are located in Multnomah County.

# PARTIES

3.

Plaintiff is a resident of Multnomah County Oregon.

Defendant is an Oregon nonprofit corporation with its principal place of business in

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Oakland, California.

# GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

5.

Mr. Bartett began working for Kaiser as a courier in June 1989.

6.

In May 2011, as part of his role as shop steward, Mr. Barrett assisted another employee,

Duane Johnson, in filing a grievance over discipline issued by Kaiser, alleging, among other

things that the employee had been treated differently because of the employee's race.

On November 1, 2012, an Oregon Health Science University (hereinafter "OHSU") employee complained to Kaiser that Mr. Barrett had acted unprofessionally during a specimen pick-up at an OHSU lab.

# 8.

Mr. Barrett denied the allegations during a December 3, 2012, meeting between Mr. Barrett and his supervisor Thomas Lear and human resources officer Nate Taylor.

In a December 3, 2012 email, Mr. Barrett explained to Mr. Taylor and Mr. Lear that he was doing the splits as a stretching exercise for a previous back injury.

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9.

On January 23, 2013, Kaiser disciplined Mr. Barrett with a level four corrective action form for "Comments and/or actions that were inappropriate towards another party creating a hostile environment."

# 11.

Later on January 23, 2013, Mr. Barrett met with Kaiser attorneys who questioned Mr. Barrett as to whether he believed that Duane Johnson had been treated differently because of his race on Mr. Barrett expressed his belief that Kaiser had treated Mr. Johnson differently.

# 12.

On January 31, 2013, Kaiser disciplined Mr. Barrett with a level four corrective action form for generalized performance concerns and placed Mr. Barrett on last chance status.

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On May 20, 2013, Kaiser reviewed the January 31, 2014 corrective action form and continued Mr. Barrett with a level four corrective action form for generalized performance concerns and placed Mr. Barrett on last chance status.

### 14.

Mr. Barrett took a medical leave of absence from August 16, 2013 to September 10, 2013 for stress related to his employment and back pain related to his previous back injury.

# 15.

On September 19, 2013, Mr. Lear and Mr. Taylor placed Mr. Barrett on administrative leave for alleged violations of his last chance agreement.

# On September 22, 2013, Mr. Barrett went on medical leave for his prior back injury, to include surgery and last until January 44, 2014.

17.

On November 23, 2013, Kaiser informed Mr. Barrett that his 90 days of leave with job protection had expired and they could post and fill his job.

#### 18.

On December 13, 2013, Mr. Barrett met with Mr. Lear and Mr. Taylor and signed a resignation agreement.

#### 19.

On December 18, 2013, Mr. Barrett rescinded the separation agreement and Kaiser changed Mr. Barrett's employment status to terminated.

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On January 3, 2014, Mr. Barrett's doctor released him to return to work.

# FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF – Title VII Race Discrimination

#### 21.

Kaiser, through its supervisors and managers, treated Mr. Barrett differently in the terms and conditions of his employment, as alleged above, because of his race—African American.

#### 22.

Kaiser treated similarly situated non-African American employees more favorably than Mr. Barrett under similar, or more egregious circumstances, resulting in lesser discipline and continued employment for those employees.

As further evidence of Kaiser's discriminatory animus, Mr. Lear referred to Duane Johnson, another African American former Kaiser employee, as "boy", even though Mr. Johnson was much older than Mr. Taylor and Mr. Barrett facilitated a discussion over Mr. Lear's disrespectful behavior toward Mr. Johnson, in Mr. Barrett's role as shop steward.

23.

#### 24.

Kaiser's race discrimination caused Mr. Barrett economic damages in the form of lost wages, lost benefits and lost earning capacity.

#### 25.

Kaiser's race discrimination caused Mr. Barrett non-economic damages in the form of emotional distress, anxiety, loss of sleep and depression.

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#### **SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF – State Disability Discrimination**

#### ORS 659A.112

#### 26.

Kaiser discriminated against Mr. Barrett on the basis of a disability by disciplining him for stretching during downtime as described above and failed to engage in the interactive process.

# 27.

Kaiser discharged Mr. Barrett from employment while he was on leave related to a disabling condition without engaging in the interactive process, as described above.

#### 28.

Kaiser's disability discrimination caused Mr. Barrett emotional distress in the form of emotional distress, anxiety, loss of sleep and depression.

# 29.

Kaiser's disability discrimination caused Mr. Barrett economic damages in the form of lost wages, lost benefits and lost earning capacity.

#### 30.

Kaiser knowingly violated state laws prohibiting disability discrimination and plaintiff reserves the right to amend his complaint to seek punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000,000.

# THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF – Age Discrimination (ADEA)

#### 31.

Kaiser discriminated against Mr. Barrett on the basis of his age, treating him differently in the terms and conditions of his employment as opposed to younger employees.

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Kaiser discriminated against Mr. Barrett, who is 60, and other older employees including Gene Butolph, claiming that they were not following their assigned routes and otherwise holding them to a level that did not apply to younger workers.

#### 33.

Kaiser's age discrimination caused Mr. Barrett emotional distress in the form of emotional distress, anxiety, loss of sleep and depression.

#### 34.

Kaiser's age discrimination caused Mr. Barrett economic damages in the form of lost

wages, lost benefits and lost earning capacity.

# TOTAL DAMAGES CLAIMED

35.

Mr. Barrett claims the following damages for all claims:

- a. \$250,000 in economic damages;
- b. \$100,000 in non-economic damages;

Prejudgment interest; and

d. Attorney fees and costs in an amount to be determined by the court.

# **DEMAND FOR A JURY TRIAL**

# 36.

Plaintiffs demand a jury trial.

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# **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs pray for relief as follows:

- 1. On all claims:
  - a. For economic and noneconomic damages in the amount of \$350,000;
  - b. For prejudgment interest.
- 2. On all claims, an award of costs and reasonable attorney fees
- 3. On all claims, any other relief the courts deems just and equitable to the full extent permitted under controlling law; and
- 4. For any damages not timely paid, an award of post-judgment interest at the applicable statutory rate.

Dated: 12/17/2014

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