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O.D., VICTORIA CHEN-ESPINOZA, M.D. and DOES 1 through 80, inclusive. are residents of the City of Fontana, County of San Bernardino, State of California located at 9961 Sierra Ave., Fontana, CA 92335.

Plaintiff ANAR ALSUNNA is informed and believes and thereon alleges JOHN P. LIBOON, M.D. and DOES 81 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, were residents of the City of Escondido, County of San Diego, State of California located at 2185 Citracado Parkway, Escondido, CA 92029.

Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names, capacities and identities, whether individual. corporate, associate or otherwise of DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, who therefore sue these DOE defendants by such fictitious names for the reason that the true names and capacities of said defendants are unknown to plaintiff at this time. When the true names and capacities of said defendants are ascertained, plaintiff will ask leave of court to amend this Complaint to insert the true names, identities and capacities of said factiously-named defendants, together with any additional allegations that may be necessary in regard thereto Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each fictitiously-named defendant sued herein was in some manner legally responsible, negligent or it some other actionable manner for the acts and occurrences hereinafter alleged and or was a substantial factor in causing plaintiff's injuries and damages as herein or hereinafter alleged.

At all times herein mentioned, plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each defendant was the agent, servant, employee, assistant and / or consultant of each remaining defendant, and was, as such, acting within the course and scope of said capacity (be it agent, servant, employee, ostensible agent, apparent agent, assistant and / or consultant) with the consent and ratification of his / her / its co-defendants. And that each and every defendant, as aforesaid, when acting as a principal, was negligent in the selection and hiring of each and every other defendant agent, servant, employee, ostensible agent, apparent agent, assistant and / or consultant.

At all times herein mentioned, Defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN,

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afflicting plaintiff.

INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP, ADRIANA MICHELLE RAMIREZ, M.D., MONIQUE YOUNG, M.A., SUSIE PHAN WRIGHT, O.D., VICTORIA CHEN-ESPINOZA, M.D., JOHN P. LIBOON, M.D. and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, were individuals or business entities, form unknown, licensed to do. and doing business as a Health Care Provider, and doing business to the State of California. Plaintiff will seek leave of court to amend this complaint when the exact identity of business entities are ascertained. At all times herein mentioned, defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP, ADRIANA MICHELLE RAMIREZ, M.D., MONIQUE YOUNG, M.A., SUSIE PHAN WRIGHT, O.D., VICTORIA CHEN-ESPINOZA, M.D., JOHN P. LIBOON, M.D. and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, were health care providers, medical practitioners, medical doctors, medical specialists, physicians, surgeons, physician's assistants, nurses, technicians, aides, radiologists, anaesthetists, laboratory assistants, x-ray assistants and / or medical facilities. Defendants, and each of them, held themselves out to plaintiff ANAR ALSUMNA as possessing that the degree of skill ability and learning common to health care providers in the community, specializing and possessing expertise in the examination, diagnosis, advice, care and treatment of medical condition or conditions

On or about December 28, 2013 and continuing thereafter, plaintiff consulted and engaged for compensation the services of defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP, ADRIANA MICHELLE RAMIREZ, M.D., MONIQUE YOUNG, M.A., SUSIE PHAN WRIGHT, O.D., VICTORIA CHEN-ESPINOZA, M.D., JOHN P. LIBOON and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive and each of them, as health care providers, medical practitioners, medical doctors, medical

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specialists, physicians, surgeons, physician's assistants, nurses, technicians, aides, radiologists, anaesthetists, laboratory assistants, x-ray assistants and / or medical facilities to examine, diagnose, advise, care, treat, inform and administer to plaintiff's medical needs, including but not limited to a right eye injury complaints. At all times herein mentioned, a confidential relationship of physician and patient existed between plaintiff and defendants.

Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP, ADRIANA MICHELLE RAMIREZ, M.D., MONIQUE YOUNG, M.A., SUSIE PHAN WRIGHT, O.D., VICTORIA CHEN-ESPINOZA, M.D., and DOES 1 through 80, inclusive, and each of them, provided medical services, as alleged in this complaint, to Plaintiff at a facility commonly known as Kaiser Permanente Fontana Medical Center located at 9961 Sierra Ave., Fontana, CA 92335.

Plaintiff is informed and believes and there on alleges that at all times herein mentioned Defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP were in a contractual relationship with Defendants JOHN P. LIBOON and DOES 81 through 100, inclusive, and each of them. And as a result of said contractual relationship Defendants JOHN P. LIBOON and DOES 80 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, provided medical services, as alleged in this complaint, to Plaintiff as employees and/or agents of Defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP. Said medical services provided to Plaintiff by Defendants JOHN P. LIBOON and DOES 80 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, was at a facility commonly known as "Palomar Medical Center, Palomar Health, Kaiser Permanente" located at 2185 Citracado Parkway, Escondido, CA 92029.

Plaintiff consulted with defendants, and each of them, specifically for obtaining

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defendants' professional advice regarding plaintiff's symptoms and medical care. Defendants recommended and carried out treatment. Plaintiff relied upon the advice and representations of defendants, and each of them, all to plaintiff's ultimate detriment. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times herein mentioned, defendants, and each of them, did negligently and carelessly or otherwise wrongfully examined, diagnosed, advised, cared, treated, informed and administered to plaintiff. In their examination, diagnosis, advice, care, treatment, informing and administration of medical care to plaintiff, defendants and each of them, failed to exercise that degree of skill and care commonly possessed and exercised by health care providers, medical practitioners, medical doctors, medical specialists, physicians, surgeons, physician's assistants, nurses, technicians, aides, radiologists, anaesthetists, laboratory assistants, x-ray assistants and / or medical facilities who perform the same and similar treatment and diagnostic procedures in the area where defendants practice. As a proximate result of the negligence, carelessness or otherwise wrongful conduct of defendants and each of them, plaintiff suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to loss of vision in his right eye and related complaints. Plaintiff is presently unaware of the full nature and extent of plaintiff's injuries. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the loss of vision occurred on or about January 15, 2014. Plaintiff alleges that this Complaint was filed within the statutory requirements as mandated by California law that being within one year of since plaintiff first learned or reasonably should have known the facts that plaintiff's injuries and damages were a legal result of the negligent acts or omissions of the defendants and each of them; further, a period of three years has not elapsed since the manifestation of plaintiff's injury. On or about September 23, 2014, plaintiff gave written notice to defendant JOHN P. LIBOON, M.D. via First Class Mail and Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested of

plaintiff's intent to sue herein pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 364. The

Board of California and an internet search. If said notice of intent to sue was served

current address of defendant JOHN P. LIBOON, M.D. was verified through the Medical

within 90 days of the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations, then said notice of intent thereby tolls the applicable statute of limitations and providing a period of one year and ninety days in which to file a lawsuit pursuant to California Supreme Court case *Woods v. Young* (1991) 53 Cal.3d 315.

On or about September 23, 2014 plaintiff gave written notice to known defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP via First Class Mail and Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested of plaintiff's intent to sue herein pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 364. The current address of defendants KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP was verified through the California Secretary of State and an internet search. Verifying the mailing address of defendant KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC., KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITALS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP as 393 East Walnut Street, Pasadena, CA 91188.

As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid negligence, carelessness or other wrongful conduct of defendants, and each of them, plaintiff was hurt and injured in plaintiff's health, strength, activity and appearance, sustaining injury to the body and shock and injury to plaintiff's nervous system and person, all of which has caused and continues to cause plaintiff great mental, physical and nervous pain and suffering.

Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges, that said injuries have resulted in some severe permanent disability to plaintiff, all to plaintiff's general damages in an amount in excess of the minimum jurisdictional limits of this court.

As a further direct and proximate result of the aforesaid negligence, carelessness or other wrongful conduct of defendants, and each of them, plaintiff has incurred medical and other expenses, and is informed and believes and thereon alleges that plaintiff will require to incur additional expenses in the future, all to plaintiff's damage in an amount not presently ascertained. The amount of plaintiff's past and future medical and other

expenses will be subject to proof at the time of trial, at which time, plaintiff will seek leave to amend this prayer of plaintiff's Complaint to conform to proof.

As a further direct and proximate result of the aforesaid negligence, carelessness or other wrongful conduct of defendants, and each of them, plaintiff has been and will be for an undetermined period of time unable to attend to plaintiff's usual duties and/or employment. Plaintiff has, therefore, suffered, and will suffer in the future, loss of earnings and earning capacity. The exact amount of such damages is presently unknown to plaintiff, and subject to proof at the time of trial, at which time, plaintiff will seek leave to amend this prayer of plaintiff's Complaint to conform to proof.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against defendants, and each of them, as

- For general damages for plaintiff, according to proof;
- For medical and related expenses, according to proof;
- For damages due to inability to attend to usual duties, and/or loss of earnings and earnings capacity, according to proof;
 - For prejudgment interest, according to law;
 - For costs of suit incurred herein; and
 - For such other and further relief as this court finds just and proper.

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