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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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MANTIC ASHANTI'S CAUSE, SUING  
ON BEHALF OF THEODORE A.  
PINNOCK AND ITS MEMBERS; and  
THEODORE A. PINNOCK, An  
Individual,

Case No.:

CIVIL COMPLAINT:  
DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES IN  
PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS

[42 U.S.C. 12182(a) ET. SEQ;  
CIVIL CODE 51, 52, 54, 54.1]

Plaintiffs,

v.

NEGLIGENCE  
[CIVIL CODE 1714(a), 2338,  
3333; EVIDENCE CODE 669(a)]

P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a.  
PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL  
a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE  
GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH; P B  
REDELL, INC. d.b.a. P B BAR &  
GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH  
BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL  
a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC  
BEACH; BRENDA J. WADDELL  
TRUST C; JOHN A.  
SCHNEIDMILLER TRUST C; BRENDA  
J. WADDELL, TRUSTEE OF THE  
BRENDA J. WADDELL TRUST C;  
JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILL, TRUSTEE  
OF THE JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILLER  
TRUST C; And DOES 1 THROUGH  
10, Inclusive

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL  
[F.R.Civ.P. rule 38(b);  
Civ.L.R. 38.1]

Defendants.

INTRODUCTION

Plaintiffs MANTIC ASHANTI'S CAUSE SUING ON BEHALF OF THEODORE  
A. PINNOCK AND ITS MEMBERS and THEODORE A. PINNOCK, An Individual,  
herein complain, by filing this Civil Complaint in accordance with

1 rule 8 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in the Judicial  
2 District of the United States District Court of the Southern  
3 District of California, that Defendants have in the past, and  
4 presently are, engaging in discriminatory practices against  
5 individuals with disabilities, specifically including minorities  
6 with disabilities. Plaintiffs allege this civil action and others  
7 substantial similar thereto are necessary to compel access  
8 compliance because empirical research on the effectiveness of  
9 Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act indicates this  
10 Title has failed to achieve full and equal access simply by the  
11 executive branch of the Federal Government funding and promoting  
12 voluntary compliance efforts. Further, empirical research shows  
13 when individuals with disabilities give actual notice of potential  
14 access problems to places of public accommodation without a  
15 federal civil rights action, the public accommodations do not  
16 remove the access barriers. Therefore, Plaintiffs make the  
17 following allegations in this federal civil rights action:

18 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

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20 1. The federal jurisdiction of this action is based on the  
21 Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 United States Code 12101-  
22 12102, 12181-12183 and 12201, et seq. Venue in the Judicial  
23 District of the United States District Court of the Southern  
24 District of California is in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)  
25 because a substantial part of Plaintiffs' claims arose within the  
26 Judicial District of the United States District Court of the  
27 Southern District of California.

28 **SUPPLEMENTAL JURISDICTION**

1 2. The Judicial District of the United States District Court of  
2 the Southern District of California has supplemental jurisdiction  
3 over the state claims as alleged in this Complaint pursuant to 28  
4 U.S.C. § 1367(a). The reason supplemental jurisdiction is proper  
5 in this action is because all the causes of action or claims  
6 derived from federal law and those arising under state law, as  
7 herein alleged, arose from common nucleus of operative facts. The  
8 common nucleus of operative facts, include, but are not limited  
9 to, the incidents where Plaintiff's Member Theodore A. Pinnock was  
10 denied full and equal access to Defendants' facilities, goods,  
11 and/or services in violation of both federal and state laws when  
12 they attempted to enter, use, and/or exit Defendants' facilities  
13 as described below within this Complaint. Further, due to this  
14 denial of full and equal access, Theodore A. Pinnock and other  
15 persons with disabilities were injured. Based upon the said  
16 allegations, the state actions, as stated herein, are so related  
17 to the federal actions that they form part of the same case or  
18 controversy and the actions would ordinarily be expected to be  
19 tried in one judicial proceeding. ✓

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21 NAMED DEFENDANTS AND NAMED PLAINTIFFS

22 3. Defendants are, and, at all times mentioned herein, were, a  
23 business or corporation or franchise organized and existing and/or  
24 doing business under the laws of the State of California.

25 Defendant P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a.  
26 THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH is located at 860  
27 Garnet Avenue, San Diego, California 92109. Plaintiffs are  
28 informed and believe and thereon allege that Defendant P B REDELL,

1 INC. is the owner, operator, and/or doing business as P B BAR &  
2 GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE  
3 GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH. Defendant P B REDELL, INC. is located at  
4 860 Garnet Avenue, San Diego, California 92109. Plaintiffs are  
5 informed and believe and thereon allege that Defendants BRENDA J.  
6 WADDELL TRUST C and/or JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILLER TRUST C are the  
7 owners, operators, and/or lessors of the property located at 860  
8 Garnet Avenue, San Diego, California 92109, Assessor Parcel Number  
9 415-593-14. Defendant JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILL, TRUSTEE OF THE JOHN A.  
10 SCHNEIDMILLER TRUST C is located at 10358 El Honcho Place, San  
11 Diego, California 92124. The words "Plaintiffs" and "Plaintiff's  
12 Member" as used herein specifically include the organization  
13 MANTIC ASHANTI'S CAUSE, its Members, its member Theodore A.  
14 Pinnock and persons associated with its Members who accompanied  
15 Members to Defendants' facilities, as well as THEODORE A. PINNOCK,  
16 An Individual.

17 4. Defendants Does 1 through 10, were at all times relevant  
18 herein subsidiaries, employers, employees, agents, of P B BAR &  
19 GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE  
20 GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH; P B REDELL, INC. d.b.a. P B BAR & GRILL  
21 a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL  
22 AT PACIFIC BEACH; BRENDA J. WADDELL TRUST C; JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILLER  
23 TRUST C; BRENDA J. WADDELL, TRUSTEE OF THE BRENDA J. WADDELL TRUST  
24 C; and JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILL, TRUSTEE OF THE JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILLER  
25 TRUST C. Plaintiffs are ignorant of the true names and capacities  
26 of Defendants sued herein as Does 1 through 10, inclusive, and  
27 therefore sues these Defendants by such fictitious names.  
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1 Plaintiffs will pray leave of the court to amend this complaint to  
2 allege the true names and capacities of the Does when ascertained.

3 5. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that  
4 Defendants and each of them herein were, at all times relevant to  
5 the action, the owner, lessor, lessee, franchiser, franchisee,  
6 general partner, limited partner, agent, employee, representing  
7 partner, or joint venturer of the remaining Defendants and were  
8 acting within the course and scope of that relationship.

9 Plaintiffs are further informed and believe, and thereon allege,  
10 that each of the Defendants herein gave consent to, ratified,  
11 and/or authorized the acts alleged herein to each of the remaining  
12 Defendants.

13 CONCISE SET OF FACTS

14 6. Plaintiff MANTIC ASHANTI'S CAUSE is an organization that  
15 advocates on the behalf of its members with disabilities when  
16 their civil rights and liberties have been violated. Plaintiff's  
17 member THEODORE A. PINNOCK is a member of Plaintiff Organization  
18 and has an impairment in that he has Cerebral Palsy and due to  
19 this impairment he has learned to successfully operate a  
20 wheelchair.

21 7. On August 11, 2004, Plaintiff's member THEODORE A. PINNOCK  
22 went to Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR &  
23 GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH  
24 facilities to utilize their goods and/or services. When  
25 Plaintiff's member patronized Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a.  
26 PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT  
27 PACIFIC BEACH facilities, he was unable to use and/or had  
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1 difficulty using the public accommodations' disabled parking,  
2 exterior path of travel, entrance, interior path of travel, public  
3 seating, bar counter, and restroom facilities at Defendants'  
4 business establishment because they failed to comply with ADA  
5 Access Guidelines For Buildings and Facilities (hereafter referred  
6 to as "ADAAG") and/or California's Title 24 Building Code  
7 Requirements. Defendants failed to remove access barriers within  
8 the disabled parking, exterior path of travel, entrance, interior  
9 path of travel, public seating, bar counter, public pay telephone,  
10 and restroom facilities of Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a.  
11 PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT  
12 PACIFIC BEACH establishment.

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14 8. Plaintiff's member personally experienced difficulty with  
15 said access barriers at Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC  
16 BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC  
17 BEACH facilities. For example, the parking facility of  
18 Defendants' establishment is inaccessible. The parking facility  
19 has a total of twenty-eight (28) parking spaces including two (2)  
20 non-complaint disabled parking spaces. Both of the existing  
21 disabled parking spaces are a non-complaint "van accessible"  
22 disabled parking spaces that are only fifteen feet (15') long and  
23 fail to have the appropriate signage. It is required that there  
24 is at least one (1) "van accessible" disabled parking space that  
25 is eighteen feet (18') long, nine feet (9') wide, has an access  
26 aisle on the right hand side that is not encroached upon, and has  
27 the appropriate signage. There are two entryways into the  
28 defendants' parking lot, both of which fail to have the required

1 signage warning motorists that anyone illegally parking in a  
2 disabled parking space would be towed/fined or both.

3 9. The exterior path of travel of the Defendants' establishment  
4 is inaccessible. There fails to be a safe and accessible path of  
5 travel from the parking lot to the primary accessible entrance, as  
6 members of the disability community are forced to traverse through  
7 vehicular traffic without the benefit of a marked path of travel.  
8 The width of the exterior railings used to form a line in front of  
9 the door is only twenty-six inches (26") wide, when it is required  
10 to be a minimum of forty-eight inches (48") wide.

11 10. The entrance to the Defendants establishment is inaccessible,  
12 as the entrance door fails to have the required disability  
13 signage. There are five (5) steps, each step is five inches (5")  
14 high, at the front entrance door that fail to have the required  
15 ramp. Changes in level greater than one half of an inch (1/2")  
16 are required to be ramped.

17 11. The interior path of travel of the Defendants' establishment  
18 is inaccessible. The interior path of travel is as narrow as  
19 twenty-nine inches (29"), when it is required to be at least  
20 thirty-six inches (36").

21 12. The public seating in the Defendants' establishment is  
22 inaccessible. There are two hundred and eighty (280) seats, all  
23 of which have a knee clearance depth of only five inches to eight  
24 inches (5" - 8") and some tables have a height of forty-three  
25 inches (43"). It is required that five percent 5% of all seats  
26 have a knee clearance depth of at least nineteen inches (19") and  
27 tables shall not be higher than thirty-four inches (34") from the  
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1 floor surface.

2 13. The height of the bar located by the front entrance is  
3 inaccessible, as it is forty-three inches (43") high, when it is  
4 required to be no higher than thirty-four inches (34") high.

5 14. The men's restroom located inside the defendants'  
6 establishment is inaccessible. The restroom entrance door fails  
7 to have the required disability signage. The strike clearance of  
8 the restroom door is only two inches (2"), when it is required to  
9 be at least eighteen inches (18"). The slope of the ramp from the  
10 entrance door of the restroom to the lavatory, urinal and stall is  
11 up to ten percent (10%) and fails to have handrails. It is  
12 required that the slope of a ramp does not exceed 8.33%. The  
13 stall door fails to have the required handles on both sides of the  
14 stall door. The stall door fails to have the required self-  
15 closing mechanism. The commode fails to have any of the required  
16 grab bars. The distance from the side edge of the commode to the  
17 far wall is only twenty-nine inches (29"), when it is required to  
18 be at least thirty-two inches (32"). The distance from the front  
19 edge of the commode to the front wall is only forty-eight inches  
20 (48"), when it is required to be at least sixty inches (60") for a  
21 side entry stall like this one. The height of the commode seat  
22 cover dispenser is fifty-one inches (51"), when it is required to  
23 be no higher than forty-eight inches (48"). The height of the  
24 coat hook is sixty-eight inches (68"), when it is required to be  
25 no higher than forty-eight inches (48"). The height of the urinal  
26 lip is twenty inches (20"), when it is required to be no higher  
27 than seventeen inches (17") high. The hot water and drainpipes  
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1 underneath the lavatory fail to have the required covering. The  
2 restroom fails to have the required audible and visual alarm  
3 system.

4 15. In addition to the violations personally experienced by  
5 Plaintiff's member and Plaintiff Theodore A. Pinnock, additional  
6 violations of federal and state disability laws exist at  
7 Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL  
8 a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH establishment.  
9 For example, the public pay telephone fails to have the required  
10 volume control unit and disability signage.

11 16. The steps that lead patrons from the front entrance door to  
12 the exterior dining area fail to have the required contrasting  
13 color strips.

14 17. The women's restroom located inside the Defendants'  
15 establishment is inaccessible. The restroom entrance door fails  
16 to have the required disability signage. The commode fails to  
17 have any of the required grab bars. The hot water and drainpipes  
18 underneath the lavatory fail to have the required covering. The  
19 restroom fails to have the required audible and visual alarm  
20 system.

21 18. Pursuant to federal and state law, Defendants are required  
22 to remove barriers to their existing facilities. Further,  
23 Defendants had actual knowledge of their barrier removal duties  
24 under the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Civil Code  
25 before January 26, 1992. Also, Defendants should have known that  
26 individuals with disabilities are not required to give notice to a  
27 governmental agency before filing suit alleging Defendants failed  
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1 to remove architectural barriers.

2 19. Plaintiffs believe and herein allege Defendants' facilities  
3 have access violations not directly experienced by Plaintiff's  
4 Member which preclude or limit access by others with disabilities,  
5 including, but not limited to, Space Allowance and Reach Ranges,  
6 Accessible Route, Protruding Objects, Ground and Floor Surfaces,  
7 Parking and Passenger Loading Zones, Curb Ramps, Ramps, Stairs,  
8 Elevators, Platform Lifts (Wheelchair Lifts), Windows, Doors,  
9 Entrances, Drinking Fountains and Water Coolers, Water Closets,  
10 Toilet Stalls, Urinals, Lavatories and Mirrors, Sinks, Storage,  
11 Handrails, Grab Bars, and Controls and Operating Mechanisms,  
12 Alarms, Detectable Warnings, Signage, and Telephones. Accordingly,  
13 Plaintiffs allege Defendants are required to remove all  
14 architectural barriers, known or unknown. Also, Plaintiffs allege  
15 Defendants are required to utilize the ADA checklist for Readily  
16 Achievable Barrier Removal approved by the United States  
17 Department of Justice and created by Adaptive Environments.

18 20. Based on these facts, Plaintiffs allege Plaintiff's Member  
19 and Plaintiff Theodore A. Pinnock was discriminated against each  
20 time he patronized Defendants' establishments. Plaintiff's Member  
21 and Plaintiff Theodore A. Pinnock was extremely upset due to  
22 Defendants' conduct. Further, Plaintiff's Member and Plaintiff  
23 THEODORE A. PINNOCK experienced pain in his legs, back, arms,  
24 shoulders and wrists when he attempted to enter, use, and exit  
25 Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL  
26 a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH establishment.

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1 WHAT CLAIMS ARE PLAINTIFFS ALLEGING AGAINST EACH NAMED DEFENDANT

2 21. P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE  
3 GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH; P B REDELL, INC. d.b.a. P  
4 B BAR & GRILL a.k.a. PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL  
5 a.k.a. THE GRILL AT PACIFIC BEACH; BRENDA J. WADDELL TRUST C; JOHN  
6 A. SCHNEIDMILLER TRUST C; BRENDA J. WADDELL, TRUSTEE OF THE BRENDA  
7 J. WADDELL TRUST C; JOHN A. SCHNEIDMILL, TRUSTEE OF THE JOHN A.  
8 SCHNEIDMILLER TRUST C; and Does 1 through 10 will be referred to  
9 collectively hereinafter as "Defendants."

10 22. Plaintiffs aver that the Defendants are liable for the  
11 following claims as alleged below:

12 DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES IN PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS

13 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS- Claims Under The  
14 Americans With Disabilities Act Of 1990

15 CLAIM I AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS: Denial Of Full And Equal Access

16 23. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere in  
17 this complaint, Plaintiff's Member was denied full and equal  
18 access to Defendants' goods, services, facilities, privileges,  
19 advantages, or accommodations. Plaintiffs allege Defendants are a  
20 public accommodation owned, leased and/or operated by Defendants.  
21 Defendants' existing facilities and/or services failed to provide  
22 full and equal access to Defendants' facility as required by 42  
23 U.S.C. § 12182(a). Thus, Plaintiff's Member was subjected to  
24 discrimination in violation of 42 United States Code  
25 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv) and 42 U.S.C. § 12188 because Plaintiff's  
26 Member was denied equal access to Defendants' existing facilities.

27 24. Plaintiff's member Theodore A. Pinnock has physical  
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1 impairments as alleged in ¶ 6 above because his conditions affect  
2 one or more of the following body systems: neurological,  
3 musculoskeletal, special sense organs, and/or cardiovascular.

4 Further, Plaintiff's member Theodore A. Pinnock's said physical  
5 impairments substantially limits one or more of the following  
6 major life activities: walking. In addition, Plaintiff's member  
7 Theodore A. Pinnock cannot perform one or more of the said major  
8 life activities in the manner, speed, and duration when compared  
9 to the average person. Moreover, Plaintiff's member Theodore A.  
10 Pinnock has a history of or has been classified as having a  
11 physical impairment as required by 42 U.S.C. § 12102(2)(A).  
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13 CLAIM II AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS: Failure To Make Alterations In  
14 Such A Manner That The Altered Portions Of The Facility Are  
Readily Accessible And Usable By Individuals With Disabilities

15 25. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere in  
16 this complaint, Plaintiff's Member Theodore A. Pinnock was denied  
17 full and equal access to Defendants' goods, services, facilities,  
18 privileges, advantages, or accommodations within a public  
19 accommodation owned, leased, and/or operated by Defendants.  
20 Defendants altered their facility in a manner that affects or  
21 could affect the usability of the facility or a part of the  
22 facility after January 26, 1992. In performing the alteration,  
23 Defendants failed to make the alteration in such a manner that, to  
24 the maximum extent feasible, the altered portions of the facility  
25 are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with  
26 disabilities, including individuals who use wheelchairs, in  
27 violation of 42 U.S.C. §12183(a)(2).

28 26. Additionally, the Defendants undertook an alteration that

1 affects or could affect the usability of or access to an area of  
2 the facility containing a primary function after January 26, 1992.  
3 Defendants further failed to make the alterations in such a manner  
4 that, to the maximum extent feasible, the path of travel to the  
5 altered area and the bathrooms, telephones, and drinking fountains  
6 serving the altered area, are readily accessible to and usable by  
7 individuals with disabilities in violation 42 U.S.C. §12183(a)(2).

8 27. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §12183(a), this failure to make the  
9 alterations in a manner that, to the maximum extent feasible, are  
10 readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities  
11 constitutes discrimination for purposes of 42 U.S.C. §12183(a).  
12 Therefore, Defendants discriminated against Plaintiff's Member  
13 Theodore A. Pinnock in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 12182(a).

14 28. Thus, Plaintiff's Member Theodore A. Pinnock was subjected to  
15 discrimination in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 12183(a), 42 U.S.C.  
16 §12182(a) and 42 U.S.C. §12188 because said Member Theodore A.  
17 Pinnock was denied equal access to Defendants' existing  
18 facilities.

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20 CLAIM III AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS: Failure To Remove Architectural  
21 Barriers

22 29. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere in  
23 this complaint, Plaintiff's Member was denied full and equal  
24 access to Defendants' goods, services, facilities, privileges,  
25 advantages, or accommodations within a public accommodation owned,  
26 leased, and/or operated by Defendants. Defendants failed to  
27 remove barriers as required by 42 U.S.C. § 12182(a). Plaintiffs  
28 are informed, believe, and thus allege that architectural barriers

1 which are structural in nature exist within the following physical  
2 elements of Defendants' facilities: Space Allowance and Reach  
3 Ranges, Accessible Route, Protruding Objects, Ground and Floor  
4 Surfaces, Parking and Passenger Loading Zones, Curb Ramps, Ramps,  
5 Stairs, Elevators, Platform Lifts (Wheelchair Lifts), Windows,  
6 Doors, Entrances, Drinking Fountains and Water Coolers, Water  
7 Closets, Toilet Stalls, Urinals, Lavatories and Mirrors, Sinks,  
8 Storage, Handrails, Grab Bars, and Controls and Operating  
9 Mechanisms, Alarms, Detectable Warnings, Signage, and Telephones.  
10 Title III requires places of public accommodation to remove  
11 architectural barriers that are structural in nature to existing  
12 facilities. [See, 42 United States Code 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv).]  
13 Failure to remove such barriers and disparate treatment against a  
14 person who has a known association with a person with a disability  
15 are forms of discrimination. [See 42 United States Code  
16 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv).] Thus, Plaintiff's Member was subjected to  
17 discrimination in violation of 42 United States Code  
18 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv) and 42 U.S.C. § 12188 because said Member was  
19 denied equal access to Defendants' existing facilities.  
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21 CLAIM IV AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS: Failure To Modify Practices,  
22 Policies And Procedures

23 30. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere in  
24 this complaint, Defendants failed and refused to provide a  
25 reasonable alternative by modifying its practices, policies and  
26 procedures in that they failed to have a scheme, plan, or design  
27 to assist Plaintiff's Member and/or others similarly situated in  
28 entering and utilizing Defendants' services, as required by 42

1 U.S.C. § 12188(a). Thus, said Member was subjected to  
2 discrimination in violation of 42 United States Code  
3 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv) and 42 U.S.C. § 12188 because said Member was  
4 denied equal access to Defendants' existing facilities.

5 31. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above, Claims I, II, and  
6 III of Plaintiffs' First Cause Of Action above, and the facts  
7 elsewhere herein this complaint, Plaintiffs will suffer  
8 irreparable harm unless Defendants are ordered to remove  
9 architectural, non-architectural, and communication barriers at  
10 Defendants' public accommodation. Plaintiffs allege that  
11 Defendants' discriminatory conduct is capable of repetition, and  
12 this discriminatory repetition adversely impacts Plaintiffs and a  
13 substantial segment of the disability community. Plaintiffs  
14 allege there is a national public interest in requiring  
15 accessibility in places of public accommodation. Plaintiffs have  
16 no adequate remedy at law to redress the discriminatory conduct of  
17 Defendants. Plaintiff's Member desires to return to Defendants'  
18 places of business in the immediate future. Accordingly, the  
19 Plaintiffs allege that a structural or mandatory injunction is  
20 necessary to enjoin compliance with federal civil rights laws  
21 enacted for the benefit of individuals with disabilities.

22 32. WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment and relief as  
23 hereinafter set forth.  
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25 SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS - CLAIMS UNDER  
26 CALIFORNIA ACCESSIBILITY LAWS

27 CLAIM I: Denial Of Full And Equal Access

28 33. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere in



1 this complaint, Plaintiff's Member was denied full and equal  
2 access to Defendants' goods, services, facilities, privileges,  
3 advantages, or accommodations within a public accommodation owned,  
4 leased, and/or operated by Defendants as required by Civil Code  
5 Sections 54 and 54.1. Defendants' facility violated California's  
6 Title 24 Accessible Building Code by failing to provide access to  
7 Defendants' facilities due to violations pertaining to the Space  
8 Allowance and Reach Ranges, Accessible Route, Protruding Objects,  
9 Ground and Floor Surfaces, Parking and Passenger Loading Zones,  
10 Curb Ramps, Ramps, Stairs, Elevators, Platform Lifts (Wheelchair  
11 Lifts), Windows, Doors, Entrances, Drinking Fountains and Water  
12 Coolers, Water Closets, Toilet Stalls, Urinals, Lavatories and  
13 Mirrors, Sinks, Storage, Handrails, Grab Bars, and Controls and  
14 Operating Mechanisms, Alarms, Detectable Warnings, Signage, and  
15 Telephones.

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17 34. These violations denied Plaintiff's Member full and equal  
18 access to Defendants' facility. Thus, said Member was subjected  
19 to discrimination pursuant to Civil Code §§ 51, 52, and 54.1  
20 because Plaintiff's Member was denied full, equal and safe access  
21 to Defendants' facility, causing severe emotional distress.

22 **CLAIM II: Failure To Modify Practices, Policies And Procedures**

23 35. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere  
24 herein this complaint, Defendants failed and refused to provide a  
25 reasonable alternative by modifying its practices, policies, and  
26 procedures in that they failed to have a scheme, plan, or design  
27 to assist Plaintiff's Member and/or others similarly situated in  
28 entering and utilizing Defendants' services as required by Civil

1 Code § 54.1. Thus, said Member was subjected to discrimination in  
2 violation of Civil Code § 54.1.

3 CLAIM III: Violation Of The Unruh Act

4 36. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere  
5 herein this complaint and because Defendants violated the Civil  
6 Code § 51 by failing to comply with 42 United States Code §  
7 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv) and 42 U.S.C. § 12183(a)(2), Defendants did and  
8 continue to discriminate against Plaintiff's Member and persons  
9 similarly situated in violation of Civil Code §§ 51, 52, and 54.1.

10 37. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-17 above, Claims I, II, and  
11 III of Plaintiffs' Second Cause Of Action above, and the facts  
12 elsewhere herein this complaint, Plaintiffs will suffer  
13 irreparable harm unless Defendants are ordered to remove  
14 architectural, non-architectural, and communication barriers at  
15 Defendants' public accommodation. Plaintiffs allege that  
16 Defendants' discriminatory conduct is capable of repetition, and  
17 this discriminatory repetition adversely impacts Plaintiffs and a  
18 substantial segment of the disability community. Plaintiffs  
19 allege there is a state and national public interest in requiring  
20 accessibility in places of public accommodation. Plaintiffs have  
21 no adequate remedy at law to redress the discriminatory conduct of  
22 Defendants. Plaintiff's Member desires to return to Defendants'  
23 places of business in the immediate future. Accordingly, the  
24 Plaintiffs allege that a structural or mandatory injunction is  
25 necessary to enjoin compliance with state civil rights laws  
26 enacted for the benefit of individuals with disabilities.

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28 38. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for damages and relief as

1 hereinafter stated.

2 Treble Damages Pursuant To Claims I, II, III Under The California  
3 Accessibility Laws

4 39. Defendants, each of them respectively, at times prior to and  
5 including, the month of August, 2004, and continuing to the  
6 present time, knew that persons with physical disabilities were  
7 denied their rights of equal access to all portions of this public  
8 facility. Despite such knowledge, Defendants, and each of them,  
9 failed and refused to take steps to comply with the applicable  
10 access statutes; and despite knowledge of the resulting problems  
11 and denial of civil rights thereby suffered by Plaintiff's Member  
12 THEODORE A. PINNOCK and other similarly situated persons with  
13 disabilities. Defendants, and each of them, have failed and  
14 refused to take action to grant full and equal access to persons  
15 with physical disabilities in the respects complained of  
16 hereinabove. Defendants, and each of them, have carried out a  
17 course of conduct of refusing to respond to, or correct complaints  
18 about, denial of disabled access and have refused to comply with  
19 their legal obligations to make Defendants' P B BAR & GRILL a.k.a.  
20 PACIFIC BEACH BAR & GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL a.k.a. THE GRILL AT  
21 PACIFIC BEACH facilities accessible pursuant to the Americans With  
22 Disability Act Access Guidelines (ADAAG) and Title 24 of the  
23 California Code of Regulations (also known as the California  
24 Building Code). Such actions and continuing course of conduct by  
25 Defendants, and each of them, evidence despicable conduct in  
26 conscious disregard of the rights and/or safety of Plaintiff's  
27 Member and of other similarly situated persons, justifying an  
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1 award of treble damages pursuant to sections 52(a) and 54.3(a) of  
2 the California Civil Code.

3 40. Defendants', and each of their, actions have also been  
4 oppressive to persons with physical disabilities and of other  
5 members of the public, and have evidenced actual or implied  
6 malicious intent toward those members of the public, such as  
7 Plaintiff's Member and other persons with physical disabilities  
8 who have been denied the proper access to which they are entitled  
9 by law. Further, Defendants', and each of their, refusals on a  
10 day-to-day basis to correct these problems evidence despicable  
11 conduct in conscious disregard for the rights of Plaintiff's  
12 Member THEODORE A. PINNOCK and other members of the public with  
13 physical disabilities.

14 41. Plaintiffs pray for an award of treble damages against  
15 Defendants, and each of them, pursuant to California Civil Code  
16 sections 52(a) and 54.3(a), in an amount sufficient to make a more  
17 profound example of Defendants and encourage owners, lessors, and  
18 operators of other public facilities from willful disregard of the  
19 rights of persons with disabilities. Plaintiffs do not know the  
20 financial worth of Defendants, or the amount of damages sufficient  
21 to accomplish the public purposes of section 52(a) of the  
22 California Civil Code and section 54.3 of the California Civil  
23 Code.

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25 42. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for damages and relief as  
26 hereinafter stated.

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1 PLAINTIFF THEODORE A. PINNOCK'S THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST ALL  
2 DEFENDANTS- Negligence as to Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK only

3 43. Based on the facts plead at ¶¶ 6-20 above and elsewhere in  
4 this complaint, Defendants owed Plaintiff Theodore A. Pinnock a  
5 statutory duty to make their facility accessible and owed  
6 Plaintiff Theodore A. Pinnock a duty to keep Plaintiff Theodore A.  
7 Pinnock reasonably safe from known dangers and risks of harm.  
8 This said duty arises by virtue of legal duties proscribed by  
9 various federal and state statutes including, but not limited to,  
10 ADA, ADAAG, Civil Code 51, 52, 54, 54.1 and Title 24 of the  
11 California Administrative Code and applicable 1982 Uniform  
12 Building Code standards as amended.

13 44. Title III of the ADA mandates removal of architectural  
14 barriers and prohibits disability discrimination. As well,  
15 Defendants' facility, and other goods, services, and/or facilities  
16 provided to the public by Defendants are not accessible to and  
17 usable by persons with disabilities as required by Health and  
18 Safety Code § 19955 which requires private entities to make their  
19 facility accessible before and after remodeling, and to remove  
20 architectural barriers.

21 45. Therefore, Defendants engaged in discriminatory conduct in  
22 that they failed to comply with known duties under the ADA, ADAAG,  
23 Civil Code 51, 52, 54, 54.1, 54.3, ADAAG, and Title 24, and knew  
24 or should have known that their acts of nonfeasance would cause  
25 Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK emotional, bodily and personal  
26 injury. Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK alleges that there was  
27 bodily injury in this matter because when Plaintiff THEODORE A.  
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1 PINNOCK attempted to enter, use, and exit Defendants'  
2 establishment, Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK experienced pain in  
3 his legs, back, arms, shoulders, and wrists. Plaintiffs further  
4 allege that such conduct was done in reckless disregard of the  
5 probability of said conduct causing Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK  
6 to suffer bodily or personal injury, anger, embarrassment,  
7 depression, anxiety, mortification, humiliation, distress, and  
8 fear of physical injury. Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK, An  
9 Individual, alleges that such conduct caused THEODORE A. PINNOCK,  
10 An Individual, to suffer the injuries of mental and emotional  
11 distress, including, but not limited to, anger, embarrassment,  
12 depression, anxiety, mortification, humiliation, distress, and  
13 fear of physical injury. Plaintiff THEODORE A. PINNOCK, An  
14 Individual, additionally alleges that such conduct caused THEODORE  
15 A. PINNOCK, An Individual, to suffer damages as a result of these  
16 injuries.

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18 46. Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for damages and relief as  
19 hereinafter stated.

20 DEMAND FOR JUDGMENT FOR RELIEF:

- 21 A. For general damages pursuant to Cal. Civil Code §§ 52, 54.3,  
22 3281, and 3333;  
23 B. For \$4,000 in damages pursuant to Cal. Civil Code § 52 for  
24 each and every offense of Civil Code § 51, Title 24 of the  
25 California Building Code, ADA, and ADA Accessibility Guidelines;  
26 C. In the alternative to the damages pursuant to Cal. Civil  
27 Code § 52 in Paragraph B above, for \$1,000 in damages pursuant to  
28 Cal. Civil Code § 54.3 for each and every offense of Civil Code §

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54.1, Title 24 of the California Building Code, ADA, and ADA Accessibility Guidelines;

D. For injunctive relief pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 12188(a) and Cal. Civil Code § 55. Plaintiffs request this Court enjoin Defendants to remove all architectural barriers in, at, or on their facilities related to the following: Space Allowance and Reach Ranges, Accessible Route, Protruding Objects, Ground and Floor Surfaces, Parking and Passenger Loading Zones, Curb Ramps, Ramps, Stairs, Elevators, Platform Lifts (Wheelchair Lifts), Windows, Doors, Entrances, Drinking Fountains and Water Coolers, Water Closets, Toilet Stalls, Urinals, Lavatories and Mirrors, Sinks, Storage, Handrails, Grab Bars, and Controls and Operating Mechanisms, Alarms, Detectable Warnings, Signage, and Telephones.

E. For attorneys' fees pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1988, 42 U.S.C. § 12205, and Cal. Civil Code § 55;

F. For treble damages pursuant to Cal. Civil Code §§ 52(a), and 54.3(a);

G. A Jury Trial and;

H. For such other further relief as the court deems proper.

Respectfully submitted:

PINNOCK & WAKEFIELD, A.P.C.

Dated: 10/21/04

By: Michelle L. Wakefield  
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Attorneys for Plaintiffs



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I (a) PLAINTIFFS  
MANTIC ASHANTI'S CAUSE, SUING ON BEHALF OF  
THEODORE A. PINNOCK AND ITS MEMBERS; And  
THEODORE A. PINNOCK, An Individual

(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF  
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES) San Diego

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- 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

DEFENDANTS

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