Index No. 713984-2020

VERIFIED ANSWER TO
DEFENDANT'S
COUNTERCLAIMS

-against-

4545 EAST COAST LLC

Defendant.		
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#### MESDAMES/SIRS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Plaintiffs appeared in this proceeding by their attorneys, SDK Heiberger, LLP, 205 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10017, and interposes the following Verified Answer and Affirmative Defenses to Defendant's counterclaims, and demands that you serve all papers in this action upon the undersigned at the address stated below.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that Plaintiffs allege the following in response to the Counterclaims by Defendant at bar:

1. Denies each and every allegation contained in the Defendant's counterclaims except as set forth herein.

#### AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

2. Defendant's Counterclaims fail to state a cause of action upon which the relief sought by the Defendant can be granted.

## AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

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3. Defendant's Counterclaims are barred by the applicable statute of limitations.

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# AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

4. Defendant's Counterclaims are barred by the doctrine of waiver.

## AS AND FOR A FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant's Counterclaims are barred by the doctrine of estoppel.

## AS AND FOR A FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

6. Defendant's Counterclaims are barred by the doctrine of laches.

## AS AND FOR A SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

7. General Denial.

#### AS AND FOR A SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

8. Defendant's Counterclaims are barred by documentary evidence i.e. the agreements between the parties.

#### AS AND FOR AN EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

9. Plaintiffs reserve the right to assert other defenses to Defendant's Counterclaims in the future, as well as other claims and third-party claims.

#### AS AND FOR A NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

10. Plaintiffs do not owe the sums alleged in the Counterclaims.

#### AS AND FOR A TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

11. Frustration of purpose of the lease due to the force majeure of Covid-19

#### AS AND FOR AN ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

12. Defendant's counterclaims are barred by the doctrine of Unjust

Enrichment.

## AS AND FOR A TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

13. Defendant's counterclaims are barred by the doctrine of impossibility due to unforeseen circumstances from the force majeure of Covid-19.

## AS AND FOR A THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

14. Defendant's counterclaims are barred by the doctrine of Force Majeure due to Covid-19.

## AS AND FOR A FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

15. Defendant's claims are barred as Plaintiff never acquired possession of the subject premises, and the proposed move-in date to the premises was changed to a different date than reflected on the lease.

## AS AND FOR A FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

16. Failure to supply documentary support for the counterclaims.

## AS AND FOR A SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

17. Defendant failed to mitigate alleged damages.

#### AS AND FOR A SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

18. Defendant fails to demonstrate any of the damages they claim in their counterclaims, and they allege damages the Defendant anticipated rather than allegedly experienced. Defendant's counterclaims are vague and speculative, and must be dismissed.

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand a judgment dismissing the Defendant's Counterclaims with prejudice; together with such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated:

New York, New York

October 27, 2020

SDK HEIBERGER, LLP

205 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, 6th Floor New York, New York 10017 Telephone: (212) 532-0500

By:

Ricardo Vasquez, Esq.

To:

BELKIN BURDEN GOLDMAN, LLP 270 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10016

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## VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK

)ss.:

COUNTY OF NEW YORK

JIMMY JON WILLIAMS, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I am a Plaintiff in the within proceeding.
- 2. I have read the annexed Plaintiff's VERIFIED ANSWER TO DEFENDANT'S COUNTERCLAIMS know the contents thereof and the same are true to my knowledge; except those matters herein which are stated to be alleged on information and belief and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

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Sworn to before me this 28<sup>th</sup> th day of October, 2020

Notary Public Kowsten Peck

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## VERTRICATION

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ALEXANDRIA GAYLE WILLIAMS, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- I am a Plaintiff in the within proceeding.
- 2. I have read the annexed Plaintiff's VERIFIED ANSWER TO DEFENDANT'S COUNTERCLAIMS know the contents thereof and the same are true to my knowledge, except those matters herein which are stated to be alleged on information and belief and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

ALEXANDRIA GAYLE WILLIAMS

Sworn to before me this th day of October, 2020

**Notary Public** 

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ALEXANDRIA GAYLE WILLIAMS AND AND AND JIMMY JON WILLIAMS AS GUARANTOR

V.

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Attorneys for

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To:						
Attorney (s) for						
Service of	a copy of the within			,	is hereby admitted	
Dated:						
		Attorney	(s) for			
PLEASE	TAKE NOTICE					
NOTICE OF ENTRY	·	thin is a (certified) true copy of a he office of the clerk of the within named Court on			20	
NOTICE OF	that an Order of which the within is a true copy will be presented for settlement to the Hon. one of the judges of the within named Court.					
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