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#### TO THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT defendant Landry's, Inc. f/k/a Landry's Restaurants, Inc. ("Landry's") hereby removes to this Court the state court action described below.

- 1. On October 5, 2011, an action was commenced in the Superior Court of the State of California in the County of Orange, entitled *Angels Baseball LP v. Landry's Restaurants, Inc.*, Case No. 30-2011-00512940. A true and correct copy of the Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 2. Landry's was served by certified mail with a copy of the above-described Complaint and a Summons from the state court on October 13, 2011, which was the first date Landry's received a copy of the Complaint. A true and correct copy of the Summons served on Landry's is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 3. A copy of Landry's Answer, which was filed in the above-referenced Superior Court on November 4, 2011, is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
  - 4. No other pleadings, process, or orders have been served on Landry's to date.

5. This action is a civil action over which this Court has original jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332, and is one that may be removed to this Court by Landry's pursuant to the complete-diversity provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1441(b). Specifically, Landry's is and at all times relevant to this action was a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Houston, Texas, while plaintiff Angels Baseball, LP is and at all times relevant to this action was a California limited partnership with its principal place of business in Anaheim, California. Further, the matter in controversy exceeds, exclusive of interest and costs, the sum of \$75,000 as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1332. See Exhibit A at ¶ 12, 15.

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EVAN PITCHFORD Attorneys for Defendant Landry's, Inc.

### **DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY**

Landry's hereby demands a trial by jury of all issues which may properly be tried to a jury.

DATED: November 7, 2011

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EVAN PITCHFORD Attorneys for Defendant Landry's, Inc.

# Exhibit A

OURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF ORANGE CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER 1 JEROME M. JACKSON, ESQ. (SBN 64238) 880 Apollo Street, Suite 238 OCT 05 2011 El Segundo, California 90245 2 Phone: (310) 726-4199 ALAN CARLSON, Clerk of the Court Facsimile: (310) 414-0486 3 Attorney for Defendant ANGEĽS BASEBALL LP 5 6 7 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 8 COUNTY OF ORANGE, CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER 9 30-2011 10 00512940 CASE NO. ANGELS BASEBALL LP, a 11 [Unlimited Jurisdiction] California Limited Partnership, 12 Plaintiff, COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES 13 (Promissory Estoppel; Common Counts) VS. 14 LANDRY'S RESTAURANTS, INC., a 15 Corporation; and DOES 1 through 100, 16 inclusive, JUDGE SHEILA FELL 17 DEPT. C22 Defendants. 18 19 20 Plaintiff ANGELS BASEBALL LP ("ABLP") alleges as follows: 21 1. Plaintiff ABLP is a limited partnership organized and existing under and by 22 virtue of the laws of the State of California, having its principal place of business within the City 23 of Anaheim, County of Orange, State of California. 24 2. Plaintiff ABLP is informed and believes, and therefore alleges, that at all times 25 mentioned herein, Defendant LANDRY'S RESTAURANTS, INC. ("LRI") was a corporation organized and existing under the laws of a State which is presently unknown to Plaintiff ABLP. 26 27 Plaintiff ABLP will seek leave of court to amend its complaint by inserting the true name of said 28 state when the same has been discovered.

Plaintiff ANGELS BASEBALL LP'S Complaint

| 3. At all times mentioned herein, Defendant LRI | was doing business within the |
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| County of Orange, State of California.          |                               |

4. Plaintiff ABLP is unaware of the true names, capacities, and liabilities of those Defendants sued herein as DOES 1 through 100, inclusive. Plaintiff ABLP is informed and believes, and therefore alleges, that at all times mentioned herein, the Defendants designated herein as DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, were acting in concert with the named Defendant in perpetrating, committing, and carrying out the acts hereinafter alleged. Plaintiff ABLP will seek leave of Court to amend this complaint by alleging the true names, capacities, and liabilities of said Defendants when the same have been ascertained.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Promissory Estoppel vs. All Defendants)

- 5. Plaintiff ABLP repeats and religious the allegations previously set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 4, inclusive, and incorporates the same herein by this reference thereto, as though fully hereinafter set forth at length.
- 6. On or about January 7, 2011, within the County of Orange, State of California, Plaintiff ABLP's authorized agent met with the authorized agent of Defendant LRI to discuss a sponsorship agreement between the parties. The agents of both Plaintiff and Defendant discussed the details of the sponsorship agreement, which included Plaintiff ABLP's mass distribution of a promotional item that bore the image and likeness of Defendant LRI's restaurant. The agents of both parties reviewed artwork for the agreed-upon promotional item involved in the agreement, planned for the production of the promotional item called for by the sponsorship agreement, and discussed the fees to be paid by Defendant to Plaintiff pursuant to that sponsorship agreement.
- 7. Immediately after the conclusion of the January 7, 2011 meeting, Defendant LRI approved the design of the promotional item involved the sponsorship agreement.
- 8. Immediately after the conclusion of the January 7, 2011 meeting, Plaintiff sent a written confirmation of the sponsorship agreement to Defendant LRI, and Defendant LRI

## WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows: 1. For monetary damages in the principal sum of \$130,158.00, together with interest thereon at the rate of 10% per annum, from January 7, 2011; 2. For costs of suit incurred herein; and 3. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper. October 4, 2011 DATED: GELS BASEBALL LP

#### SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

LANDRY'S RESTAURANTS, INC., a Corporation; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

ANGELS BASEBALL LP, a California Limited Partnership SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF ORANGE CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER

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ALAN CARLSON, Clerk of the Court

Y: N. DORFMAN DEPUTY

below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away, if you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney.

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. | AVISOI Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lee la información a continuación

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá guiter su sueido, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

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Hay otros requisitos iegales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede ilamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

| For proof of service of this summons, use Proof of Service of Sur   | mmons (form POS-010).)                                    |       |
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| DATE:   | Clerk, by, Dep  | outy  |
| El Segundo CA 90245 ALAN CARLSON  | N. DORFMAN  |       |
| El Segundo, CA 90245  |   |       |
| 880 Apollo Street, #238   |   |       |
| JEROME M. JACKSON, ESQ. (SBN 64238)   | (310) 726-4199  |       |
| (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del  | l demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): |       |
| Santa Ana, CA 92702-1994<br>The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attomey,<br>(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del | or plaintiff without an attorney, is                      |       |
| Santa Ana, CA 92702-1994  | DEPT C22  |       |
| P.O. Box 1994   |   |       |
| 700 Civic Center Drive West   | JUDGE SHEILA FELL   |       |
|   | ORANGE UUJ 1294U  |       |
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| (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):   | (Número del Caso):  |       |
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| · ·                   | NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served  |                               |
| [SEAL]                | 1. as an individual defendant.   |                               |
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|                       | <ol> <li>as an individual defendant.</li> <li>as the person sued under the fictitious name of (specify):</li> <li>on behalf of (specify):</li> </ol> | 637AUMIN ,                    |
|                       |  |                               |
|                       | under: CCP 416.10 (corporation)  | CP 416.60 (minor)             |
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| 1                     | CCP 416.20 (defunct corporation)   | CP 416.70 (conservates)       |
|                       | CCP 416.40 (association or partnership)  | CP 416.90 (authorized person) |
|                       | other (specify):   | , , ,                         |
|                       | 4 by personal delivery on (date):  | Page 1 of 1                   |

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# Exhibit C

| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4<br>5 | LAPIDUS & LAPIDUS A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION ANDREW R. HUNTER (Bar No. 125191) EVAN PITCHFORD (Bar No. 256536) 177 S. Beverly Drive Beverly Hills, California 90212 Telephone: (310) 550-8700 Facsimile: (310) 943-2471  Attorneys for Defendant Landry's, Inc. | NÜV 04 2011  SUMMERICA CENTER  NÜV 04 2011  SUMMERICAN CHARLES ON CLOCK OF THE COURT |
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| 8                     | SUPERIOR COURT FOR  | THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  |
| 9                     | COUNTY  | OF ORANGE  |
| 10                    |   |  |
| 11                    | ANGELS BASEBALL, L.P., a California   | CASE NO. 30-2011-00512940  |
| 12                    | limited partnership,  | [Assigned to Hon. Sheila Fell, Dept. C22]  |
| 13                    | Plaintiff,  | ANSWER TO COMPLAINT  |
| 14                    | V.  | Ų  |
| 15                    | LANDRY'S RESTAURANTS, INC., a corporation; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,   | <b>~</b>   |
| 16<br>17              | Defendants.   |  |
| 18                    |   |  |
| 19                    | Defendant Landry's, Inc., f/k/a/ L  | andry's Restaurants, Inc. ("Defendant"), for itself                                  |
| 20                    | and itself alone, answers the Complaint for Dame  | ages filed herein on October 5, 2011 ("Complaint")                                   |
| 21                    | by Plaintiff as follows:  |  |
| 22                    | 1. Pursuant to California Cod   | de of Civil Procedure Section 431.30(d), Defendant                                   |
| 23                    | denies both generally and specifically each and e   | very allegation contained in the Complaint and the                                   |
| :4                    | whole thereof, and further denies that Plaintiff wa   | as damaged in the sum or sums alleged, or to be                                      |
| 5                     | alleged, or any other sum or amount whatsoever.   |  |
| 6                     | 2. Defendant further denies the   | hat Plaintiff has sustained any injury, damage or                                    |
| 27                    | loss, if any, by reason of any act, omission or error   | or on the part of Defendant or any agent, servant or                                 |
| 28                    | employee of Defendant.  |  |
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Answer to Complaint

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| . 1              | AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2                | FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |  |  |
| 3                | (Failure to State Causes of Action)   |  |  |  |  |
| 4                | 1. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, fails to state                    |  |  |  |  |
| 5                | facts sufficient to constitute causes of action against Defendant.                                    |  |  |  |  |
| 6                | SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  |  |  |  |  |
| 7                | (Assumption of Risk)  |  |  |  |  |
| 8                | 2. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred                         |  |  |  |  |
| 9                | because Plaintiff assumed the risk of any alleged damage or loss.                                     |  |  |  |  |
| 10               | THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |  |  |
| 11               | (Superseding Acts)  |  |  |  |  |
| 12               | 3. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each cause of action therein, is barred because no                      |  |  |  |  |
| 13               | alleged act or omission of Defendant was a substantial factor in causing any alleged injury, damage   |  |  |  |  |
| 14               | or loss sustained by Plaintiff, nor was any alleged act or omission of Defendant a contributing cause |  |  |  |  |
| 15               | thereof, and any alleged act or omission of Defendant was superseded by the acts or omissions of      |  |  |  |  |
| 16               | others, including Plaintiff, which were the independent, intervening and proximate cause of any       |  |  |  |  |
| 17               | such injury, damage or loss.  |  |  |  |  |
| 18               | FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  |  |  |  |  |
| 19               | (Unjust Enrichment)   |  |  |  |  |
| 20               | 4. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred                         |  |  |  |  |
| 21               | because any recovery by Plaintiff would unjustly enrich Plaintiff.                                    |  |  |  |  |
| 22               | FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |  |  |
| 23               | (Failure of Consideration)  |  |  |  |  |
| 24               | 5. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred                         |  |  |  |  |
| 25               | because of a failure of consideration with respect to any alleged agreement.                          |  |  |  |  |
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|                  | - 2 - Answer to Complaint   |  |  |  |  |

| 1                            | SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |  |
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| 2                            | (Estoppel)  |  |  |  |
| · · · -3-                    | 6. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred by                      |  |  |  |
| 4                            | the equitable doctrine of estoppel. Among other things, Plaintiff's own actions and agreements and    |  |  |  |
| 5                            | the prejudice caused thereby estop and bar Plaintiff from recovering anything against Defendant.      |  |  |  |
| 6                            | SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |  |
| 7                            | (Waiver)  |  |  |  |
| 8                            | 7. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred by                      |  |  |  |
| 9                            | Plaintiff's own acts, errors and omissions, which have waived its rights, if any, to recover anything |  |  |  |
| 10                           | against Defendant.  |  |  |  |
| 11                           | EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  |  |  |  |
| 12                           | (No Agreement)  |  |  |  |
| 13                           | 8. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred by                      |  |  |  |
| 14                           | reason of Plaintiff's failure to execute and/or consummate any agreement with Defendant and/or by     |  |  |  |
| 15                           | reason of Defendant's alleged agent lacked any authority or capacity to bind Defendant to any         |  |  |  |
| 16                           | agreement.  |  |  |  |
| 17                           | <u>NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>  |  |  |  |
| 18                           | (Performance Excused)   |  |  |  |
| . 19                         | 9. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred in                      |  |  |  |
| 20                           | that Defendant's performance under any alleged agreement was excused or prevented by Plaintiff.       |  |  |  |
| 21                           | TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |  |
| 22                           | (Failure to Satisfy Condition Precedent and/or Subsequent)  |  |  |  |
| .23                          | 10. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each alleged cause of action therein, is barred                        |  |  |  |
| 24                           | because conditions precedent and/or subsequent to Defendant's alleged contractual obligations have    |  |  |  |
| 25                           | not been satisfied.   |  |  |  |
| 26                           | ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  |  |  |  |
| 27                           | (Unclean Hands)   |  |  |  |
| 28                           | 11. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each purported cause of action therein, is barred                      |  |  |  |
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|                              | - 3 - Answer to Complaint   |  |  |  |

| 1              | pursuant to the doctrine of unclean hands.   |  |  |
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| 2              | TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE  |  |  |
| 3              | (Failure to Mitigate Damages)  |  |  |
| 4              | 12. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each purported cause of action therein, is barred                     |  |  |
| 5              | because Plaintiff had a duty to exercise reasonable efforts to mitigate its alleged damages, if any, |  |  |
| 6              | and the alleged loss suffered by it, if any, was the result of its own failure and refusal to do so. |  |  |
| 7              | THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |
| 8              | (Damages Caused by Plaintiff)  |  |  |
| 9              | 13. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each purported cause of action therein, is barred                     |  |  |
| 10             | because the alleged damages to Plaintiff, if any, were directly caused in whole or in part by        |  |  |
| . 11           | Plaintiff's own conduct for which Defendant bears no responsibility.                                 |  |  |
| 12             | FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE   |  |  |
| 13             | (Laches)   |  |  |
| 14             | 14. Plaintiff's Complaint, and each purported cause of action therein, is barred                     |  |  |
| 15             | pursuant to the doctrine of laches.  |  |  |
| .16            |  |  |  |
| 17             | WHEREFORE, Defendant prays for judgment as follows:  |  |  |
| 18             | 1. That Plaintiff takes nothing by its Complaint;  |  |  |
| 19             | 2. That judgment be entered in favor of Defendant in all other respects                              |  |  |
| 20             | 3. That Defendant recovers its costs of suit;  |  |  |
| 21             | 4. For such other and further relief as the court may deem just and proper.                          |  |  |
| 22             | DATED: November 4, 2011 LAPIDUS & LAPIDUS  |  |  |
| 23             | A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION   |  |  |
| 24             | $\mathcal{A}_{I} \circ I_{I}$  |  |  |
| 25             | By: Andrew R. HUNTER   |  |  |
| 26             | Attorneys for Defendant Landry's Inc.  |  |  |
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Answer to Complaint

#### **PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL**

I, Marc Worden, declare as follows:

I am employed with the law firm of Lapidus & Lapidus, A Professional Law Corporation, 177 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90212. I am readily familiar with the business practices of this office for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service; I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to this action.

On November 4, 2011, I served a copy of the following documents:

#### 1. Answer to Complaint

on the below parties in this action by placing true copies thereof in sealed envelopes, addressed as shown, for collection and mailing pursuant to the ordinary business practice of this office which is that correspondence for mailing is collected and deposited with the United States Postal Service on the same day in the ordinary course of business:

Jerome M. Jackson, Esq. 880 Apollo Street, Suite 238 El Segundo, CA 90245

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Beverly Hills, California, on November 4, 2011.

Marc Worden

PROOF OF SERVICE

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#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

#### NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District Judge Andrew Guilford and the assigned discovery Magistrate Judge is Robert N. Block.

The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

SACV11- 1702 AG (RNBx)

Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

All discovery related motions should be noticed on the calendar of the Magistrate Judge

### NOTICE TO COUNSEL

A copy of this notice must be served with the summons and complaint on all defendants (if a removal action is filed, a copy of this notice must be served on all plaintiffs).

Subsequent documents must be filed at the following location:

|         | Western Division           |
|---------|----------------------------|
| <b></b> | 312 N. Spring St., Rm. G-8 |
|         | Los Angeles, CA 90012      |

[X] Southern Division 411 West Fourth St., Rm. 1-053 Santa Ana, CA 92701-4516 Eastern Division 3470 Twelfth St., Rm. 134 Riverside, CA 92501

Failure to file at the proper location will result in your documents being returned to you.

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA



| I (a) PLAINTIFFS (Check box if you are representing yourself   ANGELS BASEBALL LP, a California limited partnership  |  | DEFENDANTS LANDRY'S, INC., a Delaware corporation  |              |   |  |   |
|--|--|--|--------------|---|--|---|
| (b) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number. If you as yourself, provide same.)  Jerome M. Jackson, Esq. 880 Apollo St., Suite 238 El Segundo, CA 90245   | e representing   | Attorneys (If Known)  Andrew R. Hunter Lapidus & Lapidus, A Professional Law Corporation 177 S. Beverly Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90212  |              |   |  |   |
| II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an X in one box only.)  |  | SHIP OF PRINCIPAL PAR  K in one box for plaintiff and of   |              |   | s Only   |   |
| ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)   | Citizen of This  |  | F <b>DEF</b> | Incorporated or I of Business in th   | Principal Place 🕱  | TF DEF<br>4 □4  |
| ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)  | Citizen of Anot  | her State 2  | □2           | Incorporated and of Business in A   | l Principal Place ☐<br>nother State  | 5 🗹 5   |
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| V. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: JURY DEMAND: ☐ Yes  |  | •  | •            |   |  |   |
| CLASS ACTION under F.R.C.P. 23: Yes No   |  | MONEY DEMANDED IN C  |              |   |  |   |
| VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you<br>Promissory Estoppel; Common Count (Goods and Services Rende  |  | te a brief statement of cause.   | Do not cit   | e jurisdictional st   | atutes unless diversi  | ty.)  |
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| 861  | НІА  | All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended.  Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b))  |  |  |
| 862  | BL   | All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)  |  |  |
| 863  | DIWC   | All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))   |  |  |
| 863  | DIWW   | All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))  |  |  |
| 864  | SSID   | All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.  |  |  |
| 865  | RSI  | All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))   |  |  |

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