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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Arun Gupta ("Plaintiff"), by and through his attorneys, upon personal knowledge as to himself and his own acts, and upon information and belief as to all other matters, complain and alleges as follows:

#### NATURE OF THE ACTION

- Plaintiff Gupta brings this Class Action Complaint against Defendant Apple, Inc.
   ("Apple" or "Defendant") for its unlawful collection of information correlated to its customer's geolocation.
- 2. Apple manufactures the popular smartphone, the iPhone. Apple also developed the proprietary software used to operate the iPhone.
- 3. By default, geolocation information is regularly collected from customers' iPhones and transmitted to Apple's servers.
- 4. Through its documentation and public statements, Apple has consistently maintained that iPhone customers who object to having their geolocation collected by Apple can manually turn off the "Locations Services" function through the device's settings.
- 5. However, in clear contradiction to the company's assertions above, Apple intentionally designed the iPhone to regularly transmit information correlated to users' geolocation to Apple's servers, after a customer turns "Off" Locations Services. See, iPhone Geolocation Investigation Report (the "Report"), attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 6. As a result, iPhone users who seek to preserve their privacy have been deceived into a false sense of security. Apple continues to collect information about iPhone users' locations, even after these customers have expressly denied Apple access to their mobile devices.
- 7. Not only do Apple's actions demonstrate a wholesale disregard for consumers' privacy rights, Apple's practice of collecting this data without permission violates numerous state and federal laws.

#### **PARTIES**

8. Plaintiff Gupta is a natural person and citizen of Pennsylvania.

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28 COMPLAINT

9. Defendant Apple, Inc. is a California corporation with its principal place of business at 1 Infinite Loop, Cupertino, California 95014.

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 10. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over Plaintiff's claims arising under the laws of the United States pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, and, as to all other claims, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367.
- 11. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Apple because it maintains its corporate headquarters in this District and the improper conduct alleged in the Complaint occurred in, was directed and/or emanated from California.
- 12. This Court is an appropriate venue for the adjudication of this controversy because a substantial part of the events giving rise to Plaintiff's claims occurred in this District.

#### INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

13. Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 3-2(e), this case shall be assigned to the San Jose Division.

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

#### I. Apple Stands to Profit from Collecting its Customers' Location Data

- 14. As New York Times writer Miguel Heft aptly put it, "you may not know it, but if you carry a smartphone in your pocket, you are probably doing unpaid work for Apple."
- 15. Indeed, Apple is slowly building a comprehensive database containing information about cellular towers and wireless networks in order to more accurately deploy targeted advertisements to mobile phone users in the future. The mobile phone advertising market is projected to become a \$2.5 billion dollar industry by 2015.
- 16. In order to collect the information for the database described above, Apple designed the iPhone to constantly collect and send geolocation data to Apple's servers, including information about nearby cell towers and wireless networks.

Apple and Google Use Location Data to Map the World, http://www.nytimes.com/2011/04/26/technology/26locate.html (last visited April 28, 2011).

17. Accordingly, consumers' iPhones transmit geolocational data to Defendant on a routine basis.

### II. Apple Promises Not to Collect Geolocation Data About its Customers Without User Consent

- 18. In a July 2010 letter to Rep. Ed Markey and Rep. Joe Barton, Apple asserted that "customers have always had the ability to turn "Off" all location-based service capabilities with a single "On/Off" toggle switch ... [if] customers toggle the switch to "Off," they may not use location-based services, and no location-based information will be collected.<sup>2</sup>
- 19. More recently, under increasing scrutiny over failing to respect the privacy of its customers, Apple's senior vice president of iPhone software, Scott Forstall, stated that "the company doesn't allow apps, including its own, to use location data without the user's consent."
- 20. Unfortunately for consumers, the statements above ring hollow in light of the facts presented below.

#### III. Apple Breaks its Promise

- 21. Through his attorneys, Plaintiff has engaged an independent security expert to determine whether Apple collects location information from iPhone users without consent. (Ex. A.)
- 22. The research detailed in the Report clearly shows that, even after an iPhone user turns off the Location Services function and despite Apple's statements to the contrary, the device continues to transmit information to Apple's servers revealing the closest cellular tower and wireless network to the user. (Ex. A.)

Apple Letter, http://www.scribd.com/doc/54054316/Apple-s-Letter-do-Rep-Ed-Markey-and-Joe-Barton (last visited April 27, 2011).

Jobs Tries to Calm iPhone Imbroglio, http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748703367004576288790268529716.html (last visited April 27, 2011).

- 23. Even more shocking, the information collected and sent from the user's iPhone to Apple can easily be inputted into a publicly searchable database, which in turn reveals a very precise estimate of the user's exact location. (Ex. A.)
- 24. As a result, Apple—or anyone with access to this data—is able to approximate the exact location of thousands, if not millions, of United States citizens, even after these users unequivocally denied Defendant authorization to determine their whereabouts.

#### **FACTS RELATING TO PLAINTIFF**

- 25. Plaintiff Gupta owns an iPhone and has, since purchasing the device, turned his Location Services off.
  - 26. Plaintiff Gupta's iPhone transmitted location data to Apple without his consent.

#### **CLASS ALLEGATIONS**

27. **Definition of the Class:** Plaintiff Gupta brings this action pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(2) and (3) on behalf of himself and a Class of similarly situated individuals, defined as follows:

All individuals and entities in the United States and its territories that have turned off Location Services on their iPhones and unwittingly transmitted location data to Apple's servers.

Excluded from the Class are 1) Defendant, Defendant's agents, subsidiaries, parents, successors, predecessors, and any entity in which the Defendant or their parents have a controlling interest and their current and former employees, officers, and directors, 2) the Judge or Magistrate Judge to whom this case is assigned and the Judge's or Magistrate Judge's immediate family, 3) persons who execute and file a timely request for exclusion, and 4) the legal representatives, successors, or assigns of any such excluded person.

28. **Numerosity:** The exact number of the members of the Class is unknown and is not available to Plaintiff at this time, but individual joinder in this case is impracticable. The

Class consists of millions of individuals and other entities. Class members can be easily identified through Defendant's records and public records.

- 29. **Commonality:** There are many questions of law and fact common to the claims of Plaintiff and the other members of the Class, and those questions predominate over any questions that may affect individual members of the Class. Common questions for the Class include but are not limited to the following:
  - (a) whether Apple continues to collect location data from iPhones even after the user turns "Off" the Locations Services function;
  - (b) whether Apple profits, or intends to profit from, the collection of geolocation data described more fully herein;
  - (c) whether Apple's conduct described herein violated the Stored Communications Act (18 U.S.C. § 2701, et seq.);
  - (d) whether Apple's conduct described herein violated the Electronic Communications Privacy Act (18 U.S.C. §§ 2510, et seq.);
  - (e) whether Apple's conduct described herein violated the Unfair Competition Law (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, et seq.);
  - (f) whether Apple has been unjustly enriched by Plaintiff and the Class;
  - (g) whether Apple has breached its fiduciary duty to Plaintiff and the Class.
- 30. **Typicality:** The factual and legal bases of Apple's liability to Plaintiff and to the other members of the Class are the same and resulted in injury to Plaintiff and all of the other members of the Class. Plaintiff and the other members of the Class have all suffered harm as a result of Apple's wrongful conduct
- 31. Adequate Representation: Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the Class members, and have retained counsel competent and experienced in complex class actions. Plaintiff has no interest antagonistic to those of the Class and Defendant has no defenses unique to Plaintiff.

- 32. **Predominance and Superiority:** This class action is appropriate for certification because class proceedings are superior to all other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy, since joinder of all members is impracticable. The damages suffered by the individual members of the Class will likely be relatively small, especially given the burden and expense of individual prosecution of the complex litigation necessitated by the actions of Defendant. It would be virtually impossible for the individual members of the Class to obtain effective relief from the misconduct of Defendant. Even if members of the Class themselves could sustain such individual litigation, it would still not be preferable to a class action, because individual litigation would increase the delay and expense to all parties due to the complex legal and factual controversies presented in this Complaint. By contrast, a class action presents far fewer management difficulties and provides the benefits of single adjudication, economy of scale, and comprehensive supervision by a single court. Economies of time, effort, and expense will be fostered and uniformity of decisions will be ensured.
- 33. **Policies Generally Applicable to the Class:** This class action is also appropriate for certification because Defendant has acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the Class, thereby making appropriate final injunctive relief or corresponding declaratory relief with respect to the Class as a whole. The policies of the Defendant challenged herein apply to and affect all members of the Class uniformly, and Plaintiff's challenge of these policies hinges on Defendant's conduct, not on facts or law applicable only to Plaintiff.

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION Violations of the Stored Communications Act (18 U.S.C. § 2701, et seq.) (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)

- 34. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 35. The Electronic Communications Privacy Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2510 et seq. (the "ECPA") broadly defines an "electronic communication" as "any transfer of signs, signals, writing, images, sounds, data, or intelligence of any nature transmitted in whole or in part by a wire, radio, electromagnetic, photoelectronic or photooptical system that affects interstate or

incorporates this definition.

36. Pursuant to the ECPA and the SCA, "electronic storage" means any "temporary

foreign commerce..." 18 U.S.C. § 2510(12). The Stored Communications Act (the "SCA")

- 36. Pursuant to the ECPA and the SCA, "electronic storage" means any "temporary storage of a wire or electronic communication incidental to the electronic transmission thereof." 18 U.S.C. § 2510(17)(A). This type of electronic storage includes communications in intermediate electronic storage that have not yet been delivered to their intended recipient.
- 37. The SCA mandates, among other things, that it is unlawful for a person to obtain access to stored communications on another's computer system without authorization. 18 U.S.C. § 2701.
- 38. Congress expressly included provisions in the SCA to address this issue so as to prevent "unauthorized persons deliberately gaining access to, and sometimes tampering with, electronic or wire communications that are not intended to be available to the public." Senate Report No. 99–541, S. REP. 99-541, 35, 1986 U.S.C.C.A.N. 3555, 3589.
- 39. Apple has violated 18 U.S.C. § 2701(a)(1) because it intentionally accessed consumers' communications without authorization and obtained, altered, or prevented authorized access to a wire or electronic communication while in electronic storage by collecting location data from Plaintiff and the Class's iPhones after Locations Services was turned "Off." Defendant had actual knowledge of, and benefited from, this practice.
- 40. Additionally, Defendant has violated 18 U.S.C. § 2701(a)(2) because it intentionally exceeded authorization to access consumers' communications and obtained, altered, or prevented authorized access to a wire or electronic communication while in electronic storage by collecting location data from Plaintiff and the Class's iPhones after Locations Services was turned "Off." Defendant had actual knowledge of, and benefited from, this practice.
- 41. As a result of Defendant's conduct described herein and its violation of § 2701, Plaintiff and the Class have suffered injuries. Plaintiff, on his own behalf and on behalf of the

Class, seeks an order enjoining Defendant's conduct described herein and awarding himself and the Class the maximum statutory and punitive damages available under 18 U.S.C. § 2707.

## SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION Violations of the Electronic Communications Privacy Act (18 U.S.C. § 2510, et seq.) (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)

- 42. Plaintiff incorporates the forgoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 43. The Electronic Communications Privacy Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2510 et seq. (the "ECPA") broadly defines an "electronic communication" as "any transfer of signs, signals, writing, images, sounds, data, or intelligence of any nature transmitted in whole or in part by a wire, radio, electromagnetic, photoelectronic or photooptical system that affects interstate or foreign commerce…" 18 U.S.C. § 2510(12).
- 44. The ECPA defines "electronic communications system" as any wire, radio, electromagnetic, photooptical or photoelectronic facilities for the transmission of wire or electronic communications, and any computer facilities or related electronic equipment for the electronic storage of such communications. 18 U.S.C. § 2510(14).
- 45. The ECPA broadly defines the contents of a communication. Pursuant to the ECPA, "contents" of a communication, when used with respect to any wire, oral, or electronic communications, include any information concerning the substance, purport, or meaning of that communication. 18 U.S.C. § 2510(8). "Contents," when used with respect to any wire or oral communication, includes any information concerning the identity of the parties to such communication or the existence, substance, purport, or meaning of that communication. The definition thus includes all aspects of the communication itself. No aspect, including the identity of the parties, the substance of the communication between them, or the fact of the communication itself, is excluded. The privacy of the communication to be protected is intended to be comprehensive.

- 46. Defendant's conduct violated 18 U.S.C. § 2511(1)(a) because Defendant intentionally intercepted and endeavored to intercept Plaintiff's and Class Members' electronic communications to, from, and within their iPhones.
- 47. Defendant's conduct violated 18 U.S.C. § 2511(1)(d) because Defendant used and endeavored to use the contents of Plaintiff's and Class Members' electronic communications to profit from its unauthorized collection and sale, knowing and having reason to know that the information was obtained through interception in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2511(1).
- 48. Defendant intentionally obtained and/or intercepted, by device or otherwise, these electronic communications, without the knowledge, consent or authorization of Plaintiff or the Class.
- 49. Plaintiff and the Class suffered harm as a result of Defendant's violations of the ECPA, and therefore seek (a) preliminary, equitable and declaratory relief as may be appropriate, (b) the sum of the actual damages suffered and the profits obtained by Defendant as a result of their unlawful conduct, or statutory damages as authorized by 18 U.S.C. § 2520(2)(B), whichever is greater, (c) punitive damages, and (d) reasonable costs and attorneys' fees.

## THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION Violation of California's Unfair Competition Law Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, et seq. (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)

- 50. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 51. California's Unfair Competition Law ("UCL"), Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, et seq., protects both consumers and competitors by promoting fair competition in commercial markets for goods and services.
- 52. The UCL prohibits any unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business act or practice. A business practice need only meet one of the three criteria to be considered unfair competition.

  An unlawful business practice is anything that can properly be called a business practice and that at the same time is forbidden by law.

- 53. Apple has violated the fraudulent prong of the UCL in that Defendant continues to collect geolocation data from its customers, in clear contradiction to its assertions to honor users' decision to turn "Off" Location Services.
- 54. Apple has violated the unfair prong of the UCL in that, Defendant does now, or plans in the future to, profit from Plaintiff and the Class's geolocation data, although they attempted to prevent Apple from accessing that information.
- 55. Apple has violated the unlawful prong of the UCL in that Defendant's conduct violated the Stored Communications Act (18 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq.) and the Electronic Communications Privacy Act (18 U.S.C. § 2510 et seq.).
- 56. Pursuant to Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17203, Plaintiff seeks an order of this Court permanently enjoining Apple from continuing to engage in the unfair and unlawful conduct described herein. Plaintiff seeks an order requiring Defendant to (1) immediately stop the unlawful practices stated in this Complaint; (2) pay attorney's fees, and costs pursuant to Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 1021.5.

### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION Unjust Enrichment (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)

- 57. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 58. Plaintiff and members of the Class conferred a monetary benefit on Defendant by purchasing an iPhone from Apple that Defendant claimed would not transmit geolocation data after the Location Services function was turned "Off." Defendant received and retained money through this transaction and by developing a database of location data collected from Plaintiff and the Class as a result of the unlawful and/or wrongful conduct alleged herein.
  - 59. Defendant appreciates or has knowledge of such benefit.
- 60. Under principles of equity and good conscience, Defendant should not be permitted to retain the money obtained by selling information about Plaintiff and members of the Class, which Defendant has unjustly received as a result of its unlawful actions.

61. Accordingly, Plaintiff and the Class seek full disgorgement and restitution of any amounts Apple has retained as a result of the unlawful and/or wrongful conduct alleged herein.

## FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION Breach of Fiduciary Duty (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)

- 62. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 63. Because Apple was entrusted to honor Plaintiff's and the Class's right to privacy, Defendant owed a fiduciary duty to Plaintiff and the Class to (a) discontinue the collection of location data from its customer's iPhones after the user turned "Off" the Location Services function.
  - 64. Defendant breached its fiduciary duty to Plaintiff and Class members by:
    - Failing to discontinue collection of location data from its customers'
       iPhones after users turned "Off" the Location Services function.
    - Failing to act in compliance with the Stored Communications Act (18 U.S.C. § 2701, et seq.), Electronic Communications Privacy Act (18 U.S.C. § 2510, et seq.).
- 65. Under principles of equity and good conscience, Defendant should not be permitted to retain the money obtained by selling information about Plaintiff and members of the Class to third parties, which Defendant has received as a result of breaching its fiduciary duties.
- 66. Accordingly, Plaintiff and the Class seek full disgorgement and restitution of any amounts Apple has retained as a result of the unlawful and/or wrongful conduct alleged herein.

### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION Breach of Contract (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)

- 67. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 68. Apple requires all iPhone users to agree to its Terms and Conditions before using their iPhone.
  - 69. Apple's Terms and Conditions state:

Location Data: Apple ... may provide certain services through your iPhone that rely upon location information. To provide these services, where available, Apple ... may transmit, collect, maintain, process and use your location data, including the real-time geographic location of your iPhone ... By using any location-based services on your iPhone, you agree and consent to Apple's ... transmission, collection, maintenance, processing and use of your location data to provide such products and services. You may withdraw consent at any time by ... turning off the Location Services setting on your iPhone[.]

(Terms and Conditions, ¶ 4(b)) (emphasis added.)

- 70. At all relevant times, Plaintiff's Location Services was turned "Off."
- 71. Despite the fact that Plaintiff withdrew his consent pursuant to Paragraph 4(b) of Apple's iPhone Terms and Conditions, Apple continued to transmit geographic location information from his iPhone.
- 72. Apple's transmission of Plaintiff's geographical location information without Plaintiff's consent constitutes a material breach of the contract.
- 73. As a result of the breach, Plaintiff suffered, and will continue to suffer, actual and pecuniary harm including, but not limited to, anxiety, emotional distress, and loss of privacy, as well as, other economic and non-economic losses.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the Class, prays for the following relief:

- A. Certify this case as a class action on behalf of the Class defined above, appoint Arun Gupta as class representative, and appoint his counsel as class counsel;
- B. Declare that Apple's actions, as described herein, violate the Stored Communications Act (18 U.S.C. § 2701, et seq.), Electronic Communications Privacy Act (18 U.S.C. § 2510, et seq.), and the California Unfair Competition Law (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, et seq.);
- C. Award injunctive and other equitable relief as is necessary to protect the interests of the Class, including, *inter alia*: (i) an order prohibiting Apple from engaging in the wrongful

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# EXHIBIT A

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April 27, 2011

#### Summary:

My research has shown that iPhone devices are sending cellular tower information and Wi-Fi BSSID addresses to Apple regardless of whether or not "Location Services" is set to "On" or "Off".

Test device: CDMA iPhone 4 on activated Verizon Wireless account Further tests were ran on a GSM iPhone 3G on an activated AT&T account which displayed similar results.

When the iPhone 4 has "Location Services" set to "Off" under the Settings->General section, it continues to send packets that can be decoded to information that can easily lead to accurate coordinates of the device.

#### Example packets:

#### 4/27/2011 12:44:49 PM PST:

iPhone 4 sends HTTPS POST to <a href="https://gs-loc.apple.com/clls/wloc">https://gs-loc.apple.com/clls/wloc</a>

Content (decrypted from SSL):

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Content (decrypted from SSL):

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The first 32 bytes of both packets include unknown options as well as UTF-encoded locale (country and language), UTF-encoded version information about the firmware of the iPhone (4.2.6.8E200), and the unknown values 1 (short), 1 (int), and the length of the data to follow (int).

In the first packet, all data after the first 32 bytes decodes to cellular tower information once decoded via Google's protocol buffer format:

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}

21:1 = MCC

21:2 = MNC (missing on CDMA iPhones, sent on GSM iPhones)

21:3 = Cell ID

21:4 = LAC
```

In the second packet, all data after the first 32 bytes decodes to unique wi-fi BSSID addresses once decoded via Google's protocol buffer format:

```
2 {
  1: "0:24:36:ad:c2:a3"
2
 {
  1: "34:ef:44:e9:f1:71"
2
  1: "0:1b:fc:21:76:e6"
2
  1: "0:1e:8c:b8:20:f3"
2 {
  1: "0:24:37:d8:78:50"
  1: "30:46:9a:44:be:53"
2
  1: "0:1e:8c:cd:e:59"
2
  1: "10:9a:dd:84:4e:b7"
```

```
2 {
    1: "16:9a:dd:84:4e:b7"
}
3: 0
4: 0
```

All of these BSSIDs can then be taken and plugged into a public database, such as Google's freely available geolocation API, in order to locate the mobile device.

You can test this here: http://samy.pl/androidmap/

You can see how accurate the results are by inputting those into the website and comparing the results with the actual location of the device. Here are direct links demonstrating this:

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=0%3A24%3A36%3Aad%3Ac2%3Aa3 &commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=34%3Aef%3A44%3Ae9%3Af1%3A71 &commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=0%3A1b%3Afc%3A21%3A76%3Ae6 &commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=0%3A1e%3A8c%3Ab8%3A20%3Af3 &commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=0%3A24%3A37%3Ad8%3A78%3A50 &commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=30%3A46%3A9a%3A44%3Abe%3A53&commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=0%3A1e%3A8c%3Acd%3Ae%3A59&commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=10%3A9a%3Add%3A84%3A4e%3Ab7&commit=Probe

http://samy.pl/androidmap/index.php?mac=16%3A9a%3Add%3A84%3A4e%3Ab7&commit=Probe

In all cases, the accuracy of the mapping was within a few buildings (when verifying with satellite view) easily allowing one to determine that the mobile device was in the area. Further triangulation based off of comparing which networks were seen or averaging the location of the wifi networks can also lead to further information on the location of the phone.

The iPhone 4 is clearly sending information that can lead to accurate location information of the mobile device regardless of whether the "Location Services" feature is enabled or disabled. Similar packets with similar content is sent while "Location Services" is enabled.

Screenshot of the Settings->General and Settings->General->Location Services screens while in "Location Services off" mode:

