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22 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
23 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

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CV11-06178

24 PETER MEDINE, Individually and on Behalf  
25 of All Others Similarly Situated,

Civil Action No. \_\_\_\_\_

26 Plaintiff,

JURY DEMAND

27 v.

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT FOR:

28 CARRIER IQ, INC., AT&T INC., and  
APPLE, INC.,

Defendants.

1. Violation of Federal Wiretap Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2511; AND
2. Violation of Stored Electronic Communication Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2701; AND
3. Violation of Federal Computer Fraud and Abuse Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1030; AND
4. Violation of Unfair Competition Law, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§17200, et seq.; AND
5. Violation of Privacy Act, Cal. Gen. Laws Ch. 214 §1B; AND
6. Violation of the Common Law for Trespass to chattel; AND
7. Violation of the California Penal Code §§ 631 and 632.7.

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

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**CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff Peter Medine ("Plaintiff"), on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, by and through his undersigned counsel, upon knowledge as to himself and otherwise upon information and belief, alleges as follows:

**THE PARTIES**

1. Plaintiff Peter Medine is an adult domiciled in San Francisco, California. Mr. Medine is an AT&T customer who owns and uses an Apple iPhone 4.

2. Defendant Carrier IQ is a California corporation based in Mountain View, CA. Carrier IQ designed and sells the rootkit software at issue in this case.

3. Defendant AT&T is a Delaware corporation based in Dallas, TX.

4. Defendant Apple, Inc. is a California corporation based in Cupertino, CA.

**JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

5. This court has personal jurisdiction because all Defendants are licensed to do business in the state of California and conduct business in and otherwise have sufficient contacts in this District.

6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action and Defendants pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 because this action arises under federal statutes, namely the Federal Wiretap Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2511 (the "Wiretap Act"), the Stored Electronic Communication Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2701 ("SECA") and the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1030 (the "CAFA") and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d) because the amount in controversy exceeds \$5,000,000. This Court has supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiff's state law claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1367.

1 7. Venue is proper in this District because Defendants Carrier IQ and Apple  
2 maintain their principal executive offices and headquarters in this District, and a substantial  
3 part of the events giving rise to the claim occurred in this District.

#### 4 SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

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6 8. This is a class action lawsuit brought on behalf of similarly situated persons  
7 who have or had a wireless contract Defendant AT&T Inc. ("AT&T"), who own or owned at  
8 least one device manufactured and/or distributed by Defendant Apple, Inc. ("Apple") which  
9 contained so-called "rootkit" software designed and sold by Defendant Carrier IQ, Inc.  
10 ("Carrier IQ"), during applicable limitations periods, and whose privacy was violated.

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12 9. Carrier IQ, established in 2005, develops software that it, wireless service  
13 providers ("carriers"), and original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") use to collect and  
14 intercept data and communications sent or received by a wide variety of electronic devices,  
15 including without limitation smartphones, tablets, and e-readers. Each of these devices  
16 includes an operating system, which is software consisting of programs and data that run on the  
17 devices and manage hardware and application software.

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19 10. Carrier IQ sells rootkit software ostensibly designed to help carriers and OEMs  
20 identify and diagnose service and quality-related problems such as dropped calls and battery  
21 drain. A rootkit software is one that enables continued privileged access to a computer while  
22 actively hiding its presence from administrators by subverting standard operating system  
23 functionality or other applications. Carrier IQ claims to be the market leader in sales of  
24 "mobile service intelligence" rootkit software.

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26 11. The Carrier IQ software is, by the company's admission, currently installed on  
27 150 million phones worldwide, mostly in the U.S. Notably, it is embedded by device  
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1 manufacturers, along with other software, prior to shipment of the devices.

2 12. Defendant Apple pre-installs Carrier IQ software on devices used by its  
3 customers on the AT&T network.

4 13. Last month, Connecticut-based technology blogger and app designer Trevor  
5 Eckhart (“Eckhart”) reported that the Carrier IQ software is far less benign and does far more  
6 tracking than previously advertised. His post, available at  
7 <http://androidsecuritytest.com/features/logs-and-services/loggers/carrieriq/>, stated:  
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9 Carrier IQ is able to query any metric from a device. A metric can be a dropped  
10 call because of lack of service. The scope of the word metric is very broad  
11 though, including device type, such as manufacturer and model, available  
12 memory and battery life, the type of applications resident on the device, the  
13 geographical location of the device, the end user’s pressing of keys on the  
14 device, usage history of the device, including those that characterize a user’s  
15 interaction with a device. (From <http://www.faqs.org/patents/app/20110106942>).

16 14. As Eckhart discovered, a litany of “triggers” cause the Carrier IQ rookit  
17 software to collect data metrics. Moreover, while the metric collected could be an aggregated  
18 one, such as the devices that experienced a dropped call in California at 5 p.m. on a given day,  
19 the Carrier IQ software can be used to track far more specific, personal data from a single  
20 individual’s device. As reported by Eckhart:

21 From leaked training documents we can see that portal operators can view and  
22 task metrics by equipment ID, subscriber ID, and more. So instead of seeing  
23 dropped calls in California, they now know “Joe Anyone’s” location at any given  
24 time, what he is running on his device, keys being pressed, applications being  
25 used.

26 15. Notably, Eckhart’s findings are based in part on training materials posted on  
27 Carrier IQ’s website, which Eckhart mirrored and posted so that others could independently  
28 verify his conclusions without fear that Carrier IQ would remove the information from its site.

1           16. Carrier IQ initially attacked Eckhart, firing off a cease and desist letter and  
2 accusing him of copyright infringement (for posting the training materials, which it removed  
3 from its website) and false statements and threatening him with six figure damages.

4           17. However, the Electronic Frontier Foundation ("EFF") defended Eckhart, and, on  
5 November 23, 2011, Carrier IQ retracted its letter, issuing a statement that read: "Our action  
6 was misguided and we are deeply sorry for any concern or trouble that our letter may have  
7 caused Mr. Eckhart." At the same time, Carrier IQ also stated:

9                       We would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the functionality of  
10 Carrier IQ's software, what it does not do and what it does:

- 11                       - Does not record your keystrokes.
- 12                       - Does not provide tracking tools.
- 13                       - Does not inspect or report on the content of your communications, such  
                          as the content of emails and SMSs.
- 14                       - Does not provide real-time data reporting to any customer.

15           18. Eckhart next posted a Youtube video (available here:  
16 [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=T17XOI\\_AYNo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=T17XOI_AYNo)) demonstrating  
17 that – even when his device was not connected to any carrier's cellular site – the Carrier IQ  
18 software was secretly running on his device and, among other things, logging his individual  
19 keystrokes, the numbers he presses to make telephone calls, the text messages he sends, and the  
20 URLs he visited, even from websites that use security encryption to prevent tracking. Each  
21 device button has a correlating "wkeycode" that is recorded by Carrier IQ's software.  
22 Moreover, each time a phone performs simple functions, like being turned on or off, that  
23 information is gathered as well.

24           19. Carrier IQ's software not only creates detailed logs that secretly store  
25 information within the device, thereby creating a significant hacking risk, it also transmits such  
26 information within the device, thereby creating a significant hacking risk, it also transmits such  
27 information within the device, thereby creating a significant hacking risk, it also transmits such  
28 information within the device, thereby creating a significant hacking risk, it also transmits such

1 information to Carrier IQ's customers, including OEMs and carriers, and to Carrier IQ itself  
2 which stores such information at the company.

3 20. In the wake of Eckhart's analysis, Bryan Chafin, reporting for the *Mac Observer*,  
4 wrote:

5 ...the entire point of the application is to collect and send data to those servers,  
6 so it's not a great stretch to believe that every text, every search, ever button, and  
7 any and every other tap you make on your HTC Android devices, RIM  
8 BlackBerry device, and Nokia smartphones is being logged and sent to Carrier  
9 IQ and then shared with whichever company paid to have the app there in the  
10 first place.

11 21. Andy Greenberg, reporting for *Forbes*, wrote:

12 As Eckhart's analysis of the company's training videos and the debugging logs  
13 on his own HTC Evo handset have shown, Carrier IQ captures every keystroke  
14 on a device as well as location and other data, and potentially makes that data  
15 available to Carrier IQ's customers. The video he's created (below) shows every  
16 keystroke being sent to the highly-obscured application on the phone before a  
17 call, text message, or Internet data packet is ever communicated beyond the  
18 phone. Eckhart has found the application on Samsung, HTC, Nokia and RIM  
19 devices, and Carrier IQ claims on its website that it has installed the program on  
20 more than 140 million handsets.

21 22. Russell Holly, reporting for *Geek.com*, wrote:

22 Eckhart put together a video of him turning on an HTC Ev03D with a  
23 completely stock (provided by HTC) ROM. He demonstrates that nowhere in  
24 the startup does any mention of CarrierIQ. There's nothing indicating that this  
25 software exists on the phone. When the applications are discovered, the ability  
26 to shut the apps down the same way you would any other app in Android has  
27 been circumvented. So, you now have a series of applications that you have to  
28 be extremely knowledgeable to find, and when you do find them they *cannot be*  
*turned off*. This is demonstrated in the first five minutes of the video, and these  
steps can be easily re-created if you have access to LogCat on your computer.

29 When you receive a text, the video demonstrates that the CarrierIQ  
30 software is aware of the text message and its contents before the phone notifies  
31 you that you have a message. CarrierIQ and Sprint both were adamant that the  
32 body of an SMS was not recorded, and yet we can clearly see in the video that  
33 the text contents are read and transmitted via the CarrierIQ applications. In an  
34 attempt to clear this matter up, I reached out to CarrierIQ again, who refused to  
35 comment and noted that they "are looking forwarding to our meeting with EFF  
36 this week and will continue to keep you updated."

1           The video also demonstrates how this software records the keys that are  
2 pressed in the dialer, before a call is even made. Anytime you press a key in the  
3 dialer app, even if you just press random numbers and then close the  
4 application, that information is logged by CarrierIQ. If you place a call, that  
5 information is recorded as well, along with network strength values. This way if  
6 anything happens that would interrupt the call, your carrier can see why it  
7 happened and fix it. There's a real benefit to the CarrierIQ software, but it is  
8 clear that far more is being recorded than is necessary.

9           This video has demonstrated a truly significant volume of information is  
10 being recorded. Passwords over HTTPS, the contents of your text messages,  
11 and plenty more are recorded and sent to the customers of CarrierIQ. A  
12 significant part of what was demonstrated is not included in any privacy  
13 agreement, and some of it was a direct contradiction of the statements that were  
14 made by these companies. It looks like we're being lied to, our information is  
15 being recorded, and there is nothing we can do about it.

16           23. As Eckhart illustrated, and has since been widely reported, Carrier IQ software is  
17 incredibly difficult for the average consumer to detect and nearly impossible to fully stop from  
18 operating consistently on the devices onto which it is installed. As explained by Wired, "The  
19 [Carrier IQ] software runs hidden from users, who generally can't find it or uninstall it without  
20 very sophisticated knowledge or by switching out the operating system by 'rooting' their phone  
21 and flashing an alternative operating system. While legal, rooting almost always voids a  
22 phone's warranty."

23           24. Another developer, Tim Schofield, extensively researched the presence of the  
24 Carrier IQ software on multiple Android smartphone platforms. Beyond the privacy issues, he  
25 observed that the embedded Carrier IQ software necessarily degrades the performance of any  
26 device on which it is installed. The software is *always operating and cannot be turned off*. It  
27 necessarily uses system resources, thus slowing device performance while decreasing battery  
28 life. As a result, because of the Carrier IQ software, in addition to having their private  
communications intercepted, Plaintiff and Class members are not getting the optimal

1 performance of the smartphone devices that they purchased, and which are marketed, in part,  
2 based on their speed, performance, and battery life.

3 25. CNN reported on December 1, 2011, that AT&T confirmed to CNN Money that  
4 handsets on its network run Carrier IQ's software and transmit information from it back to  
5 them. However, as Wired reported the next day, AT&T does not inform consumers how this  
6 information is used.  
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8 26. CNN also reported on December 1, 2011 that Apple confirmed to CNN Money  
9 that Carrier IQ software is running on some of its mobile devices, but said it stopped supporting  
10 the latest version of iOS and will completely eliminate Carrier IQ from all iPhones and iPads in  
11 the future. ARS Technica reported that Apple confirmed that iPhone 4 is still running Carrier  
12 IQ software.  
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14 27. Testing by a well-known iPhone hacker and blogger, Grant Paul, confirmed that  
15 Carrier IQ software existed on any iPhone that ran any version of iOS 3, iOS 4, and iOS 5  
16 operating systems.  
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18 28. On December 2, 2011, Wired reported that Carrier IQ admitted that certain data  
19 is downloaded from devices once per day. Andrew Coward ("Coward"), Carrier IQ's Chief  
20 Marketing Officer, admitted to Wired that Carrier IQ is "seeing URLs and we can capture that  
21 information." Since Carrier IQ gets the URLs directly from the device, Wired reported that it is  
22 also able to record encrypted search terms employed on search engines (e.g.  
23 [https://www.google.com/#hl=en&sugexp=ppwe&cp=3&gs\\_id=p&xhr=t&q=abortion+clinics](https://www.google.com/#hl=en&sugexp=ppwe&cp=3&gs_id=p&xhr=t&q=abortion+clinics))  
24 rather than merely the URL for the search engine itself (e.g. google.com). Coward told Wired,  
25 "We do recognize the power and value of this data. We're very aware that this information is  
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1 sensitive. It's a treasure trove." Coward also admitted to Wired that the data collected by  
2 Carrier IQ is linked to individual chip and phone identification numbers.

3 29. In truly alarming remarks made to CNN Money the same day, Coward expressed  
4 surprise at the information that Carrier IQ's software was tracking on individual devices.  
5 Coward stated, "We're as surprised as anybody to see all that information flowing. It raises a  
6 lot of questions for the industry – and not [only] for Carrier IQ."  
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8 30. The ramifications are tremendous. Christopher Soghoian, a cyberprivacy  
9 researcher and fellow at human rights organization Open Society called the information  
10 collected by Carrier IQ "a gold mine for a hacker" and a "huge issue" if transmitted to carriers.  
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12 31. Carriers do not disclose in their contracts the kind of tracking and surveillance  
13 that Carrier IQ's software performs, as demonstrated by Eckhart and as described *supra*.  
14 Moreover, without any disclosure of the intrusive and comprehensive nature of Carrier IQ's  
15 communication interception, data collection, and surveillance, Plaintiff and Class members  
16 were not capable of providing informed consent to Carrier IQ. Plaintiff and Class members  
17 reasonably expected that text messages, emails, and Internet browsing habits were private and  
18 confidential. They did not expect or have knowledge that Carrier IQ would illegally track, log,  
19 and transmit their private communications, much less share them with Carrier IQ's customers.  
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21 32. Carrier IQ does not enter into any agreement with device users, nor does it obtain  
22 their consent to store its software on their devices or to use  
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24 33. On November 30, 2011, The United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary  
25 wrote a letter to Carrier IQ, expressing deep concern about the scandal. Demanding immediate  
26 responses to 11 questions, the letter says that the actions alleged "may violate federal privacy  
27 laws, including the Electronic Communications Privacy Act and the Computer Fraud and Abuse  
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1 Act. This is a potentially very serious matter.” In addition, State Attorneys General have made  
2 inquiries with Carrier IQ, and European regulators have opened investigations.

3 34. The Electronic Privacy Information Center, a non-profit organization in  
4 Washington, D.C., noted that the use of Carrier IQ’s software to log data may constitute an  
5 “unlawful intercept.”  
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7 35. Carrier IQ’s software is surreptitiously tracking, logging, and transmitting  
8 extraordinarily sensitive information from consumers’ phones to the mobile phone carriers,  
9 without the knowledge or consent of the users, in violation of federal privacy laws. Defendants’  
10 willful and knowing actions violated the Federal Wiretap Act, the Stored Electronic  
11 Communication Act, and the Federal Computer Fraud and Abuse Act. The Plaintiff seeks  
12 damages and injunctive relief under these statutes on behalf of the entire Class for these  
13 violations.  
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#### 15 CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

16 36. Plaintiff brings this action both individually and as a class action pursuant to Fed.  
17 R. Civ. P. 23(a) and 23(b)(3) against Defendants, on his own behalf and on the behalf of any  
18 person who owns a device in which Carrier IQ software was or is installed in the United States.  
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20 37. Members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members would be  
21 impracticable. Plaintiff estimates that there are more than 150 million members of the Class.  
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23 38. There are questions of law and fact common to all the members of the Class that  
24 predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, including:

- 25 a. Whether Defendants installed Carrier IQ on Plaintiff’s and Class  
26 members’ devices without their knowledge or consent;  
27 b. Whether Defendants used Carrier IQ’s software to track, log, transmit,  
28 and/or store Plaintiff and Class members’ electronic communications;

- 1 c. Whether such conduct was intentional;
- 2 d. Whether such conduct occurred without Plaintiff's and Class members'
- 3 consent;
- 4 e. Whether Defendants obtained and continues to retain valuable, personal
- 5 and/or private information from Class members;
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- 7 f. Whether, because of Defendant's misconduct, Plaintiff and other Class
- 8 members are entitled to damages, restitution, equitable relief, injunctive
- 9 relief, or other relief, and the amount and nature of such relief.

10 39. The claims of Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the members of the Class.

11 Plaintiff has no interests antagonistic to those of the Class, and Carrier IQ has no defenses

12 unique to the Plaintiff.

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14 40. Plaintiff will protect the interests of the Class fairly and adequately, and Plaintiff

15 has retained attorneys experienced in complex class action litigation.

16 41. A class action is superior to all other available methods for this controversy

17 because:

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- 19 a. The prosecution of separate actions by the members of the Class would
- 20 create a risk of adjudications with respect to individual members of the
- 21 Class that would, as a practical matter, be dispositive of the interests of
- 22 the other members not parties to the adjudications, or substantially impair
- 23 or impede their ability to protect their interests;
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- 25 b. The prosecution of separate actions by the members of the Class would
- 26 create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications with respect to the
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1 individual members of the Class, which would establish incompatible  
2 standards of conduct for Defendants;

3 c. Defendants acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the  
4 Class; and

5 d. Questions of law and fact common to members of the Class predominate  
6 over any questions affecting only individual members, and a class action  
7 is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient  
8 adjudication of the controversy.  
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10 42. Plaintiff does not anticipate any difficulty in the management of this litigation.  
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### 12 COUNT I

#### 13 **VIOLATION OF THE FEDERAL WIRETAP ACT, 18 U.S.C. § 2511**

14 43. Plaintiff incorporates the above allegations by reference as if set forth more fully  
15 herein.

16 44. The Federal Wiretap Act, as amended by the Electronic Communications  
17 Privacy Act of 1986, prohibits the willful interception of any wire, oral, or electronic  
18 communication.  
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20 45. 18 U.S.C. § 2520(a) provides a private right of action to any person whose wire,  
21 oral or electronic communication is intercepted.

22 46. Defendants placed rootkit software on Plaintiff's and the Class members' phones  
23 that intercepted records of users' phone communications.  
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25 47. Neither the Plaintiff nor members of the Class consented to or were aware that  
26 the Defendants were violating federal law and tracking this information.

27 48. The data that the Defendants knowingly intercepted are "communications"  
28 within the meaning of the Wiretap Act.





1 adequate to compensate for these inflicted and threatened injuries, Plaintiff and the Class  
2 members are entitled to remedies including injunctive relief as provided by 18 U.S.C. §  
3 1030(g).

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5 **COUNT IV**  
6 **VIOLATION OF THE UNFAIR COMPETITION LAW**  
7 **(CAL. BUS. & PROF. CODE §§ 17200 ET SEQ.)**

8 64. Plaintiff incorporates the above allegations by reference as if set forth more fully  
9 herein.

10 65. California's Unfair Competition Law (the "UCL") defines unfair competition to  
11 include any "unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent" business act or practice. Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§  
12 17200 *et seq.*

13 66. Defendants engaged in "unlawful" business practices under the UCL because  
14 they violated the Federal Wiretap Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2511.

15 67. Defendants engaged in "unlawful" business practices under the UCL because  
16 they violated the California Consumer Protection Against Spyware Act, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code  
17 §§ 22947-22947.6, the Electronic Communications Privacy Act and California Invasion of  
18 Privacy Act. Defendants are therefore in violation of the "unlawful" prong of the UCL.  
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20 68. Defendants engaged in "fraudulent" business practices under the UCL because  
21 they secretly installed the Carrier IQ software on Plaintiffs' devices, failed to disclose that the  
22 Carrier IQ software was always operating on such devices, failed to disclose that the Carrier IQ  
23 software was capable of intercepting Plaintiffs' private communications and, in fact intercepted  
24 such communications, and failed to disclosed that the Carrier IQ software degraded the  
25 performance and battery life of the devices on which it was installed. Defendants' omissions  
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1 and failures to disclose were "material" to Plaintiff and the class within the meaning of *In re*  
2 *Tobacco II Cases*, 46 Cal. 4th 298, 325 (Cal. 2009).

3 69. Defendants engaged in "unfair" business practices under the UCL based on the  
4 foregoing, and because they violated the laws and underlying legislative policies designed to  
5 protect the privacy rights of Californians and the rights of others which are affected by  
6 companies operating out of California. In particular, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 22947-22947.6  
7 and the California Constitution, which provides:

9 ARTICLE I DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

10 SECTION 1. All people are by nature free and independent and have  
11 inalienable rights. Among these are enjoying and defending life and  
12 liberty, acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and pursuing and  
obtaining safety, happiness, *and privacy*.

13 70. Defendants' business acts and practices are unfair because they cause harm and  
14 injury-in-fact to Plaintiff and Class Members. Defendants' conduct lacks reasonable and  
15 legitimate justification. Defendants have benefited from such conduct and practices, while  
16 Plaintiff and the Class Members have suffered material disadvantage regarding their interests in  
17 the privacy and confidentiality of their personal information. Defendants' conduct offends  
18 public policy in California tethered to the right of privacy set forth in the Constitution of the  
19 State of California, and California statutes recognizing the need for consumers to obtain  
20 material information with which they can take steps to safeguard their privacy interests.

23 71. Defendants' acts and practices were also fraudulent within the meaning of the  
24 DCL because they are likely to mislead the members of the public to whom they were directed.

25 72. By engaging in the acts and practices described herein, Defendants have  
26 committed one or more acts of unfair competition within the meaning of the UCL and, as a  
27 result, Plaintiff and the Class have suffered injury-in-fact and have lost money and/or property-  
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1 specifically, personal confidential information and the full value of their Electronic Devices and  
2 personal confidential information.

3 73. Plaintiff and the Class were injured in fact and lost money or property as a result  
4 of these unlawful, unfair, and fraudulent business practices. In particular and without limitation,  
5 Plaintiff and Class members did not get the performance level and battery life on their phones  
6 that they paid for because the Carrier IQ software necessarily degraded such performance and  
7 battery life by constantly running on Plaintiffs' devices.  
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9 74. Defendant's actions described above are in violation of California Business and  
10 Professions Code section 17500, et seq. and violations of the right of privacy enshrined in  
11 Article I, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of California.  
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13 75. As a result, Plaintiffs and the Class have suffered and will continue to suffer  
14 damages. Further, as a direct and proximate result of Defendant's willful and intentional  
15 actions, Plaintiffs and the Class have suffered damages in an amount to be determined at trial  
16 and, unless Defendant is restrained, Plaintiffs will continue to suffer damages.  
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18 **COUNT V**  
19 **VIOLATION OF THE PRIVACY ACT**

20 **(CAL. G.L. Ch. 214, §1B)**

21 76. Plaintiff incorporates the above allegations by reference as if set forth more fully  
22 herein.

23 77. Defendant illegally intercepted, tracked, and recorded Plaintiff's and Class  
24 members' electronic communications as described herein.

25 78. Through the use of Carrier IQ's software, Defendants repeatedly disclosed to  
26 third parties and/or caused to be disclosed to third parties, Plaintiff's and Class members'  
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1 Internet browsing, search engine usage, text messaging, and telephone call information, which  
2 includes facts of a highly private, sensitive, personal or intimate nature.

3 79. Defendants did so knowing and intending to engage in conduct that Plaintiff and  
4 Class members did not reasonably expect, knowing that Plaintiff and Class members reasonably  
5 believed their privacy was protected, and knowing that their actions would seriously diminish,  
6 intrude upon, and invade Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy.  
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8 80. Defendants did so in a manner designed to evade detection and remediation by  
9 Plaintiff and Class Members.  
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11 81. Defendants had no legitimate, countervailing business interest in engaging in the  
12 conduct alleged herein.  
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14 82. Defendants' actions did unreasonably, substantially, and seriously interfere with  
15 Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy.  
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17 83. Defendants' actions did unreasonably, substantially, and seriously interfere with  
18 Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy.  
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20 84. Defendants' conduct has caused, and continues to cause, Plaintiff and Class  
21 Members irreparable injury. Unless restrained and enjoined, Defendants will continue to  
22 commit such acts. Plaintiff's and Class members' remedy at law is not adequate to compensate  
23 them for these inflicted, imminent, threatened and continuing injuries, entitling Plaintiff and  
24 Class members to remedies including injunctive relief.  
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26 85. Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to equitable relief that includes  
27 Defendants' cessation of the illegal conduct alleged herein. Plaintiff and Class members are  
28 also entitled to equitable relief that includes an accounting of what personal information of

1 theirs was tracked, collected, logged, transmitted, used, merged and further disclosed to whom,  
2 under what circumstances, and for what purposes.

3 86. As a proximate and direct result of Defendants' invasion of privacy, Plaintiff and  
4 the Class members were harmed.

5 87. Plaintiff and the Class members are therefore entitled to damages in an amount  
6 to be determined at trial.

8 **COUNT VI**  
9 **TRESPASS TO CHATTEL**

10 88. Plaintiff incorporates the above allegations by reference as if set forth more fully  
11 herein.

12 89. The common law prohibits the intentional intermeddling with personal property,  
13 including in this case Plaintiff's and Class members' devices, in the possession of another that  
14 results in the deprivation of the use of the personal property or the impairment of the condition,  
15 quality, or usefulness of the personal property, or that impairs some other legally protected  
16 interest, including the legally protected interest in privacy and confidential information.

17 90. By engaging in the acts alleged in this complaint without the authorization or  
18 consent of Plaintiff and Class Members, Defendants dispossessed Plaintiff and Class Members  
19 from use and/or access to their personal confidential information. Further, these acts impaired  
20 the use, value, and quality of Plaintiff's and Class Members' personal confidential information.  
21 Defendants' acts constituted an intentional interference with the use and enjoyment of Plaintiff's  
22 and Class Members' personal confidential information. By the acts described above,  
23 Defendants repeatedly and persistently engaged in trespass to personal property in violation of  
24 the common law.  
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1           91.    Without Plaintiff and Class Members' authorization or consent, or in excess of  
2 any authorization or consent given, Defendants knowingly and intentionally accessed Plaintiff's  
3 and Class Members' property, thereby intermeddling with Plaintiff's and Class Members' right  
4 to exclusive possession of the property and causing injury to Plaintiff and the members of the  
5 Class.

6           92.    Defendants engaged in deception and concealment to gain access to Plaintiff's  
7 and Class Members' computers.

8           93.    Defendants engaged in the following conduct with respect to Plaintiff's and  
9 Class Members' devices: Defendants authorized and/or caused the installation of Carrier IQ's  
10 software on Plaintiff's and Class Members' devices; accessed and obtained control over  
11 Plaintiff's and Class Members' personal confidential information; and deliberately programmed  
12 the operation of Carrier IQ's software code to bypass and circumvent Plaintiff's and Class  
13 Members' device privacy and security controls, to remain beyond their detection and control,  
14 and to continue to function and operate without notice to or consent from them. All these acts  
15 were in excess of any authority Plaintiff and Class Members ever granted, and none were in  
16 legitimate furtherance of Plaintiff's and Class Members' use of their devices. By engaging in  
17 deception and misrepresentation, whatever authority or permission Plaintiff and Class Members  
18 may have granted to the Defendants did not apply to Defendants' conduct.

19           94.    Defendants' installation and operation of its program used, interfered, and/or  
20 intermeddled with Plaintiff's and Class Members' devices. Such use, interference and/or  
21 intermeddling was without Plaintiff's and Class Members' consent or, in the alternative, in  
22 excess of Plaintiff's and Class Members' consent.  
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1           95. Defendants' installation and operation of its program constitutes trespass,  
2 nuisance, and an interference with Plaintiff's and Class Members' chattels, to wit, their devices  
3 and personal confidential information.

4           96. Defendants' installation and operation of Carrier IQ software impaired the  
5 condition and value of Plaintiff and Class Member's devices and compromised the integrity,  
6 condition and value of their personal confidential information.  
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8           97. Defendant's trespass to chattels, nuisance, and interference caused real and  
9 substantial damage to Plaintiff and Class Members.

10           98. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's trespass to chattels, nuisance,  
11 interference, unauthorized access of and intermeddling with Plaintiff's and Class Members'  
12 property, Defendant has injured and impaired in the condition and value of Class Members'  
13 devices and personal confidential information, as follows:  
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- 15           a. by consuming the resources of and/or degrading the performance of  
16 Plaintiff's and Class Members' devices (including hard drive space,  
17 memory, processing cycles, Internet connectivity, and battery life);  
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- 19           b. by diminishing the use of, value, speed, capacity, and/or capabilities of  
20 Plaintiff's and Class Members' devices;  
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- 22           c. by devaluing, interfering with, and/or diminishing Plaintiff's and Class  
23 Members' possessory interest in their devices and personal confidential  
24 information;  
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- 26           d. by altering and controlling the functioning of Plaintiff's and Class  
27 Members' devices and personal confidential information;  
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- 1 e. by infringing on Plaintiff's and Class Members' right to exclude others  
2 from their devices and personal confidential information;
- 3 f. by infringing on Plaintiff's and Class Members' right to determine, as  
4 owners of their devices, which programs should be installed and  
5 operating on them;
- 6 g. by compromising the integrity, security, and ownership of Plaintiff's  
7 and Class Members' devices and personal confidential information; and
- 8 h. by forcing Plaintiff and Class Members to expend money, time, and  
9 resources in order to attempt to identify and remove the Carrier IQ  
10 software installed on their devices without notice or consent.  
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13 99. Defendants' conduct constituted an ongoing and effectively permanent  
14 impairment of Plaintiff's and Class Members' devices and personal confidential information.

15 100. Plaintiff and Class Members each had and have legally protected, privacy and  
16 economic interests in their devices and personal confidential information.  
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18 101. Plaintiff and Class Members sustained harm as a result of Defendants' actions, in  
19 that the expected operation and use of their devices and personal confidential information were  
20 altered and diminished on an ongoing basis.

21 102. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' trespass to chattels, interference,  
22 unauthorized access of and intermeddling with Plaintiff's and Class Members' Electronic  
23 Devices and personal confidential information, Plaintiff and Class Members have been injured,  
24 as described herein.  
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26 103. Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the Class, seeks injunctive relief  
27 restraining Defendant from such further trespass to chattels and requiring Defendant to account  
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1 for its use of Plaintiff's and Class Members' devices and personal confidential information,  
2 account for the personal information they have acquired, purge such data, and pay damages in  
3 an amount to be determined.

4 **COUNT VII**

5 **STATUTORY INVASION OF PRIVACY IN VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA**

6 **PENAL CODE §§ 631 AND 632.7**

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8 104. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each of the foregoing paragraphs as though fully  
9 set forth herein.

10 105. At all material times, Penal Code Sections 631 and 632.7 were in full force and  
11 effect and were binding upon Defendants, and existed for the benefit of the Class Members,  
12 including Plaintiff, all of whom are and/or were protected by the California Invasion of Privacy  
13 Act (penal Code §§ 630 *et seq.*)

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15 106. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereupon alleges that Defendants willfully  
16 and without the consent of all parties to communications, or in some other unauthorized  
17 manner, read, or attempted to read, or to learn the contents or meaning of messages, reports, or  
18 communications while the same were in transit or passing over wires, lines, or cables, or were  
19 being sent from, or received at any place within California; or used, or attempted to use, in some  
20 manner, or for any purpose, or to communicate in any way, any information so obtained, or  
21 aided, agreed with, employed, or conspired with any person or persons to unlawfully do, or  
22 permit, or cause to be done any of the acts or things mentioned herein during the Class Period.  
23 (Cal. 10 Pen.Code § 631(a).)

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26 107. Plaintiff is further informed, believes, and thereupon alleges that Defendants,  
27 without the consent of all parties to the communication, intercepted or received and  
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1 intentionally recorded, or assisted in the interception or reception and intentional recordation of,  
2 a communication transmitted by and between the Electronic Devices. (Cal. Pen. Code §  
3 632.7(a).)

4 108. Penal Code Section 637.2 is a manifestation of the California Legislature's  
5 determination that the privacy invasion arising from the non-consensual interception,  
6 wiretapping, eavesdropping, or recording of a confidential communication constitutes an affront  
7 to human dignity that warrants a minimum of \$5,000 in statutory damages per violation, even in  
8 the absence of proof of actual damages, as well as injunctive relief enjoining further violations.  
9 (Cal. Pen. Code § 637.2(a)-(c).) Defendants' unlawful conduct caused injury to Plaintiff and the  
10 Class in the form of an affront to their human dignity.  
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12 109. Based upon the foregoing, the Class members, including the Plaintiff, are entitled  
13 to, and below do pray for, statutory damages for each of Defendants' violations of Penal Code  
14 Sections 631, 632.7 and for injunctive relief, as provided under Penal Code Section 637.2.  
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16 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

17 WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court:  
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19 1. Determine that this action is a proper class action under Rule 23 of the Federal  
20 Rules of Civil Procedure;

21 2. Award compensatory damages, including statutory damages where available, in  
22 favor of Plaintiff and the other members of the Class against Defendants for all damages  
23 sustained as a result of Defendants' wrongdoing, in an amount to be proven at trial, including  
24 interest thereon;  
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1 3. Permanently restrain Defendants, and their officers, agents, servants,  
2 employees and attorneys, from installing software on cell phones that could track the users'  
3 information in violation of federal law;

4 4. Award Plaintiff and the Class members their reasonable costs and expenses  
5 incurred in this action, including counsel fees and expert fees; and  
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7 5. Grant Plaintiff such further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

8 **JURY TRIAL DEMAND**

9 110. The Plaintiff demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable.

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