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# PLAINTIFF(S) ATTORNEY INFORMATION: Laura Owens Scottsdale, AZ 85254 Name/Address/Phone Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County, 201 W Jefferson St., Phoenix, AZ 85003 (Court Name, Address and Phone Number) Laura Owens Case Numbe EV 2021-052893 Scottsdale, AZ 85254 COMPLAINT Plaintiff(s) Name/Address/Phone CIVIL V. Gregory Gillespie Scottsdale, AZ 85028 Defendant(s) Name/Address/Phone Plaintiff(s) alleges: 1. This claim arises from: [X] Tort [ ] Contract [ ] Debt Venue in this precinct is proper because: 2. [X] The defendant(s) reside(s) or does business in this precinct. The debt or obligation that resulted in this claim occurred in this precinct [ ] at the following location:

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[]	Other:	(pursuant to A.R.S. §
	12-401).	

- 3. The defendant(s) owes the sum of \$\( \) 45,000. The defendant(s) owe the plaintiff(s) this amount because: (State the facts in support of your claim. You may attach an additional page to your complaint, if necessary.)
  - The Plaintiff became pregnant with the Defendant's child on either June 4) Plaintiff became pregnant on her second date with Defendant on or around June 30 2021 after only 2 dates.
  - 5) Plaintiff informed Defendant of the pregnancy and he denied it, after which he forced Plaintiff to have multiple pregnancy tests and a doctor's appointment.
  - 6) Once Defendant finally learned the pregnancy was real, Defendant employed false promises, and verbal and emotional abuse to coerce Plaintiff into getting an abortion.
  - 7) Upon Plaintiff's first attempt to terminate the pregnancy, Defendant blocked Plaintiff from all communication.
  - 8) When Plaintiff informed Defendant of her failed attempt at termination, Defendant again employed false promises, and verbal and emotional abuse to coerce Plaintiff again.
  - 9) During this entire time, Plaintiff clearly expressed her desire to not terminate the pregnancy. (See attachment for more)

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#### 1) - ARS 13-3601

- 3. The victim or the defendant is pregnant by the other party.
- 6. The relationship between the victim and the defendant is currently or was previously a romantic or sexual relationship.
- L. If a person is convicted of an offense involving domestic violence and the victim was pregnant at the time of the commission of the offense, at the time of sentencing the court shall take into consideration the fact that the victim was pregnant and may increase the sentence.

#### - ARS 36-2153:

- G. A person shall not intimidate or coerce in any way any person to obtain an abortion.
- Intentional tort: Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress
  - The person's conduct or actions were extreme or outrageous;
  - The person intended to inflict distress, or the person recklessly disregarded that their conduct would result in the victim's emotional distress; and,
  - The person's conduct resulted in the victim's severe emotional distress

- 4. Plaintiff(s) is also claiming:
  - [X] Attorney's fees
  - [ ] Prejudgment interest

[]	Postjudgment interest
[X]	Court costs
[]	Other (specify):
5. I state ui	nder penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Date: <u>8/10/</u> 2	21 <u>Laura Owens</u> Plaintiff

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Defendant(s) Name/Address/Phone

The following pages are copies of relevant notes and text messages from July and August of 2021 between the Plaintiff and the Defendent.







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week. We need to get our lives back and healthy. And then we can get to know our true selves. This is damaging both of us severally with every hour that continues to pass. I know that I liked you very much when this wasn't on our minds and over our heads. I know that it is damaging each of us. I want this to be over with. Do you? Can we take care of it this week and try for this weekend. The timing is perfect. I don't want to go into the week next week with this on our minds any longer. I should be almost healthy, this will be beyond us. Hopefully have a nice weekend going into the week and we can get back to being ourselves.

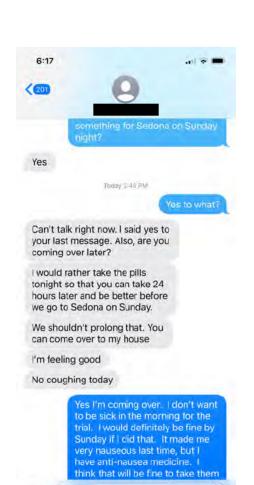
I promise this to you. I will support you after this, I will grow with you get to know our real selfs and we can begin our relationship in the tight foot.

I need the same from you. To see that you support what I'm trying to do here also. Get back to healthy.

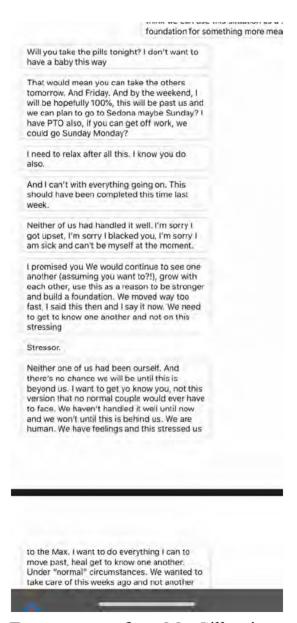




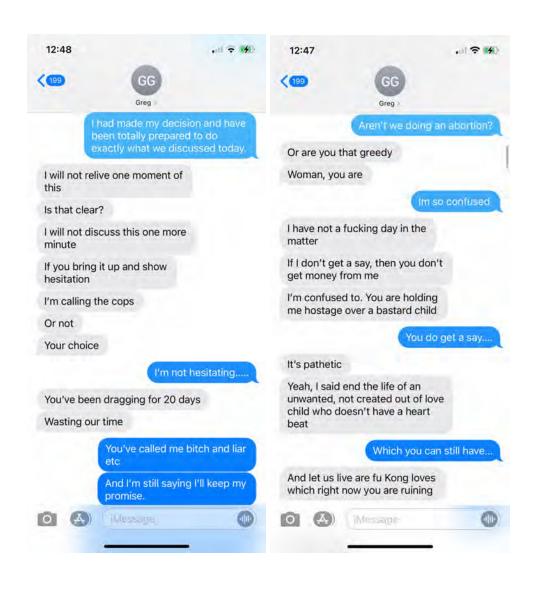


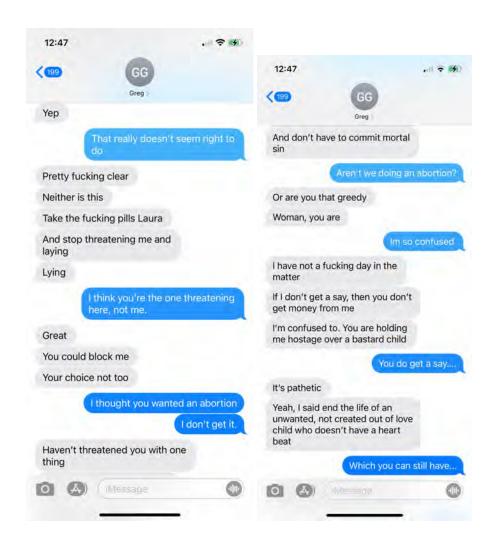


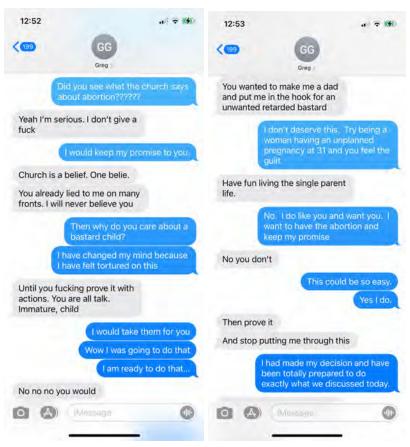
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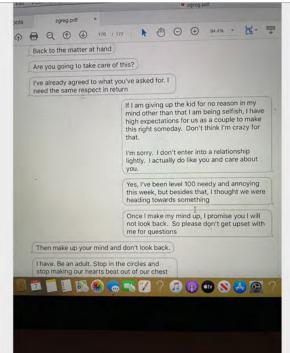


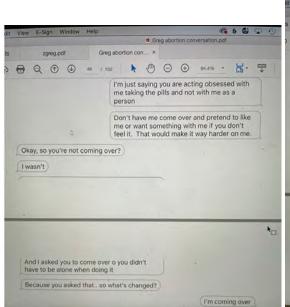
Text messages from Mr. Gillespie expressing his desire to have a relationship after Ms. Owens would have an abortion from the week of August 4, 2021

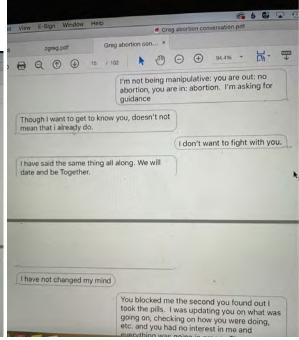


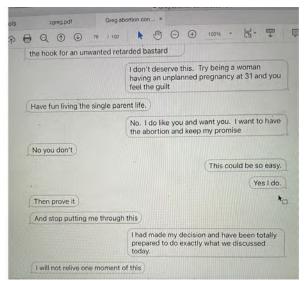


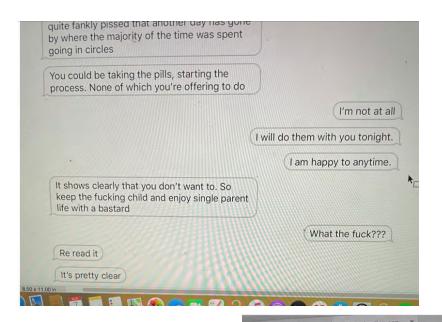


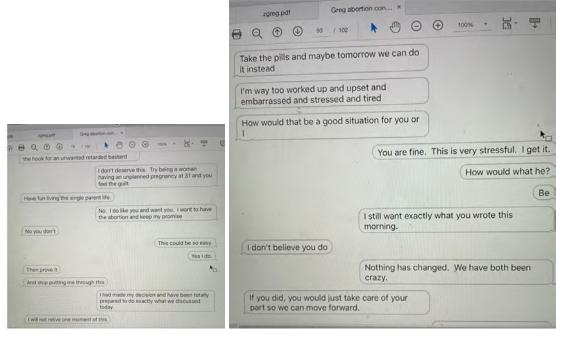


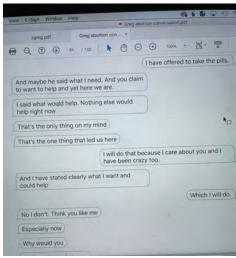


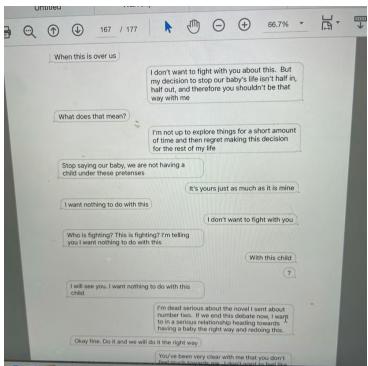


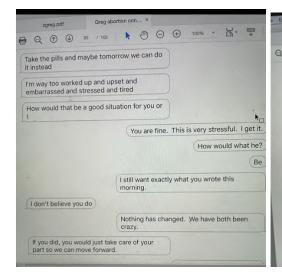


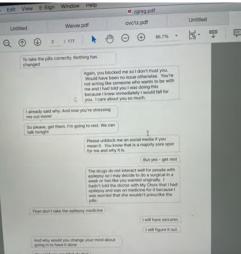


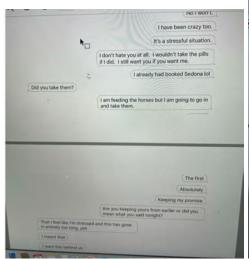


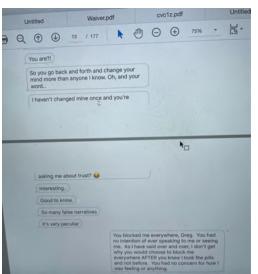


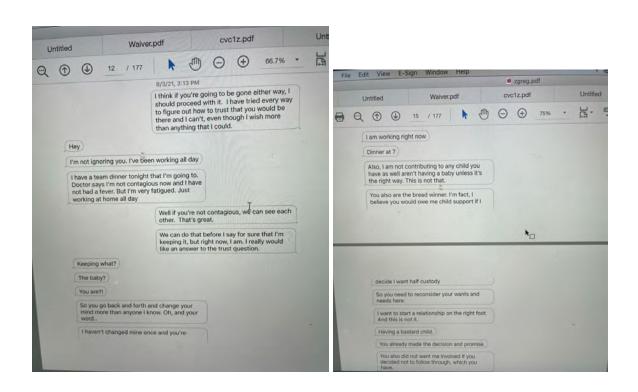


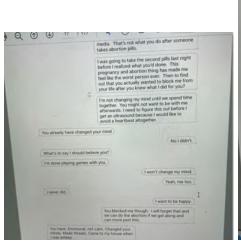


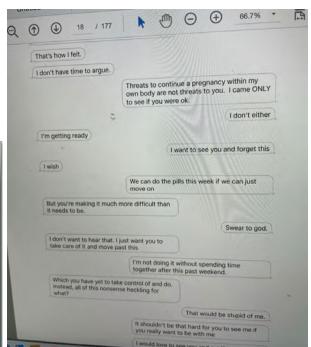


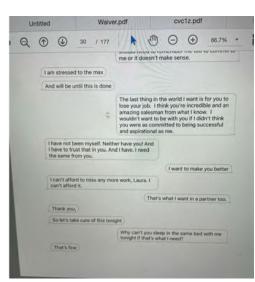


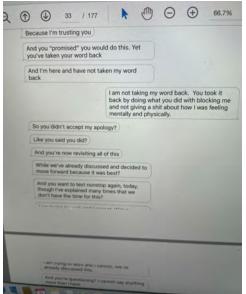


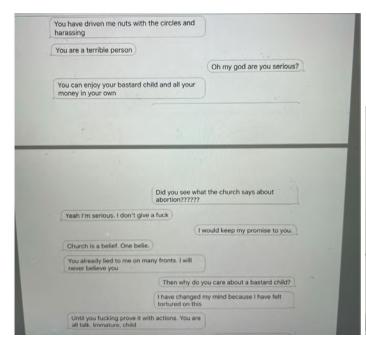


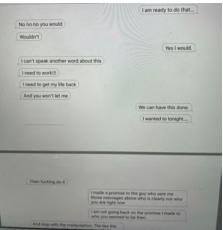


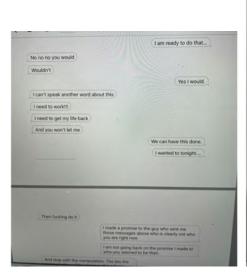


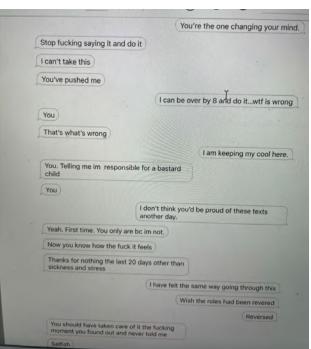


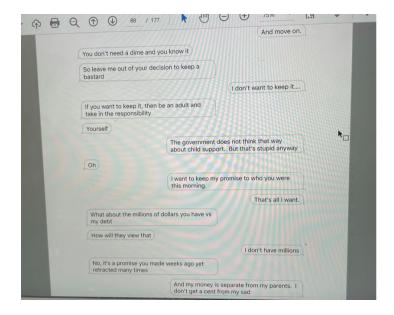




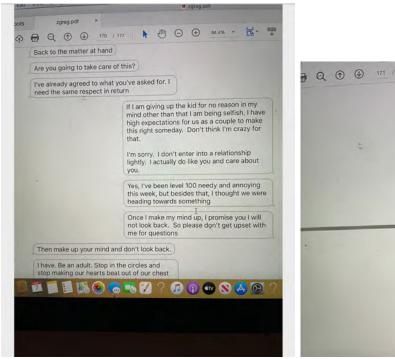


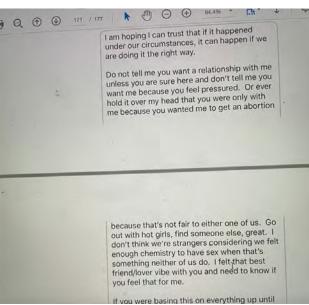


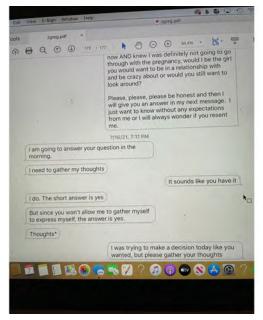


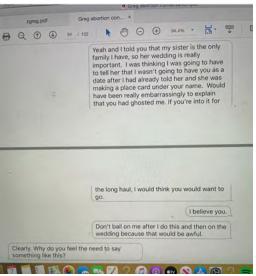


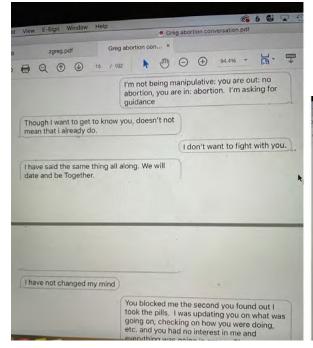
## Text messages from Mr. Gallespie coercing Ms. Owens into an abortion

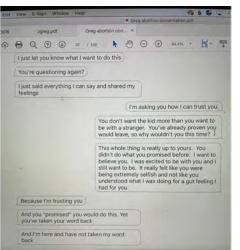


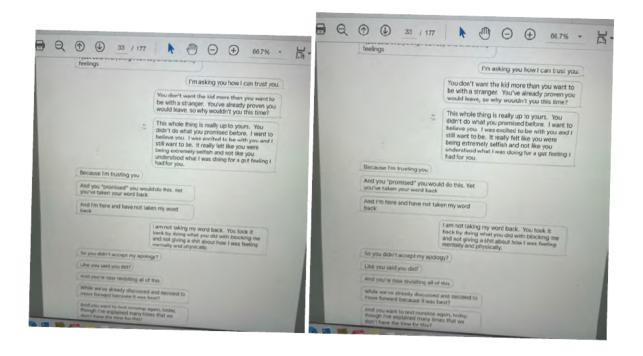


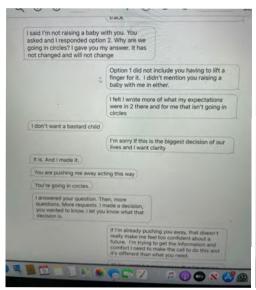


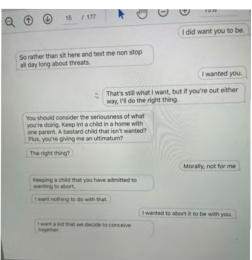


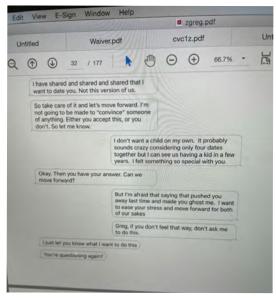


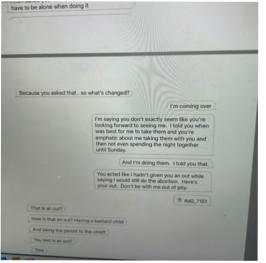


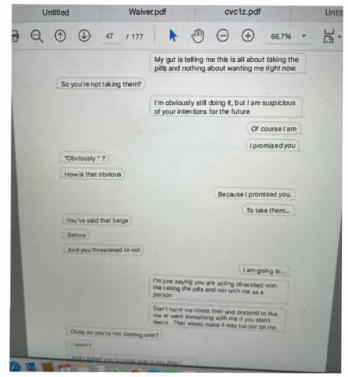


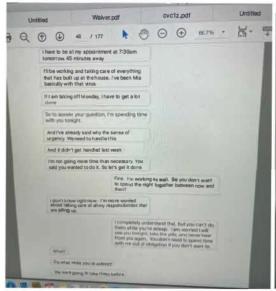


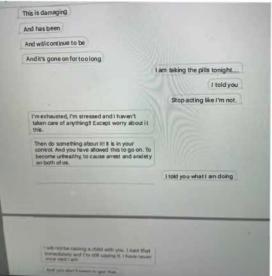












And only ask me to do this if you want me, not just an abortion. I was mad yesterday and impulsive. I wouldn't ask you for child support. So just make sure that I am what you want and you're not just pitying me

And I will do it

I have

And I vocalize this to you

Text messages from Ms. Owens expressing her expectations for the relationship if she were to have an abortion and his responses

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**Defendant(s) Name/Address/Phone** 

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### STATEMENT OF FACTS AND BREACH (CONT)

- 11. Defendant was steadfast in his viewpoint that the pregnancy be terminated immediately because he did not want a "bastard child" and said he would have no involvement in its life, nor pay child support.
- 12. Plaintiff did not wish to give up the pregnancy from a spiritual or moral standpoint and planned to proceed with it, even if she was doing it alone.
- 13. Defendant's false promises included comments regarding a great opportunity for them to work towards eventual marriage and to have a child 'the right way' in the future
- 14. Plaintiff indicated to Defendant that she did not expect him to be involved in the rearing and support of this child and did not need to speak with her again if that is what he desired.
- 15. Defendant refused and instead indicated that he wanted a relationship but he refused to see her or contribute to the relationship until Plaintiff had terminated the pregnancy.
- 16.Despite Arizona's five-week pregnancy limit in order to terminate a pregnancy, Defendant found this unacceptable and coerced Plaintiff into obtaining abortion pills using an unorthodox method.
- 17. Although Plaintiff was reluctant to administer the pills because she felt that she was financially, emotionally, and physically able to create an environment where their child would thrive, Defendant was insistent that she proceed immediately so that they could move on with their future.
- 18.On July 28, 2021, at around 10pm Plaintiff administered the first pill while over the phone with Defendant.
- 19. During that conversation Plaintiff reiterated that she did not expect him to participate in the child rearing and support if she were to make the decision to continue her pregnancy.
- 20. Defendant pleaded with her and said she needed to believe him.
- 21. On July 29, 2021, Plaintiff administered the second pill incorrectly.
- 22. After receiving instructions on how to properly administer the second pill, Plaintiff attempted to contact Defendant to administer the second pill over the phone with him, but he was unreachable.
- 23.Once Plaintiff finally reached Defendant on July 31, 2021, Defendant scolded her for waiting to administer the second pill.

- 24.On July 31, 2021, Plaintiff correctly administered the second pill after Defendant's persistent insistence that it must be done; however, the termination did not pass as it should.
- 25.On August 1, 2021, Plaintiff discovered from her doctor that it was a "failed abortion" and that the development of the fetus may not have stopped, but it was uncertain.
- 26. After attempting to contact Defendant during this time, Plaintiff discovered that Defendant had blocked her from all forms of traditional communication.
- 27. Upon discovery of the "failed abortion", Defendant panicked and attempted to persuade Plaintiff not only that he had not blocked her from communication, but also that he wanted to stay with her if she followed through with the termination.
- 28. At that point, Plaintiff indicated that she would let God decide what happened to the fetus at that point regardless of whether she ended up passing it or not.
- 29. Defendant indicated that he "did not want a retarded bastard child" while also promising that he would attend a wedding with Plaintiff, wanted to start a family with her, and wanted to be introduced to Plaintiffs father (who is suffering from many medical issues) once the pregnancy was terminated.
- 30.Defendant also indicated that Plaintiff needed to stop playing games with him and that if she wanted a relationship with him, she needed to follow through with the termination.
- 31.Plaintiff explained that the decision to end a human life was much more serious than any decision she had made before and that she would have to live with the consequences of this for the rest of her life.
- 32.On August 4, 2021 in text messages sent between Plaintiff and Defendant, Defendant indicated that he wanted to continue the relationship if "we take care of it this week and try for this weekend", and that he promises to "support [her] after this" and they can "begin their relationship" in exchange for terminating the pregnancy. See exhibit [number here].
- 33.Relying on these representations, Plaintiff was convinced that Defendant's intentions were pure.
- 34. When the time came for Plaintiff to administer her termination pills, she hesitated and contacted Defendant.
- 35.Defendant used verbally and emotionally abusive manipulations, even threatening to call the police if she hesitated in terminating the pregnancy. See exhibit [number here].

- 36.On August 5, 2021, Plaintiff went to Defendant's house where she anticipated he would be there to support her in her emotionally distraught condition due to taking the termination pill on the previous day.
- 37.Instead, Defendant's behavior was extreme cold and bizarre, as he was telling Plaintiff that she was toying with him and that he could not relax in their relationship until the abortion was done.
- 38.He further questioned and criticized every action Plaintiff made that night, including making Plaintiff show Defendant that she was properly administering the second pill by showing the inside of her cheek to Defendant because he did not believe that she was taking the pill; Defendant's actions were clear that he cared more about making sure the abortion was done than he did about wanting a future with Plaintiff.
- 39.Defendant acted disgusted and disrespectful and refused to provide any verbal, emotional, or physical comfort to Plaintiff during this traumatic process until he was convinced that the pregnancy was terminated, causing Plaintiff to leave his house at 1:00AM.
- 40.By that point Plaintiff had already administered the second pill in Defendant's presence.
- 41.On August 6, 2021 Plaintiff again discovered that Defendant and blocked her from all forms of traditional communication and social media.
- 42. Plaintiff is physically, emotionally and psychologically distraught to have go thought the tedious and traumatic process of terminating a pregnancy for the sake of a relationship with Defendant, whom had no intention of having one but used the false promises and abuse to manipulate Plaintiff into believing he did.
- 43. Defendant continued to call Plaintiff names, including "psychopath", and criticized her participation in Apple Podcast's "Nobody Told Me!" as a "joke".
- 44. Defendant also threatened to go public with Plaintiff's abortion knowing that Plaintiff would lose respect as an advocate for domestic violation and victim's rights and insisted on recording their phone conversations so that he could repeatedly say that Plaintiff "murdered [his] child".
- 45. Simply put, Defendant did not want a child to be burn under any circumstances and was willing to say or do whatever it took to get Plaintiff to terminate the pregnancy without consideration for the fetus or Plaintiff.
- 46. Plaintiff is suffering from a complete state of shock, depression, and guilt over a needless decision that she made for the sake of Defendant's empty promises.