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EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

NO. :05-4181

DIVISION:

MAGISTRATE

SECTION:

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MAUREEN O'DWYER, ET AL

VERSUS

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ET AL

COMPLAINT FOR COMPENSATORY  
AND EXEMPLARY DAMAGES,  
AND FOR REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S  
FEES AND TAXABLE COSTS  
IN A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

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FEDERAL RULES OF  
CIVIL PROCEDURE

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## I.

Current plaintiffs in the above-styled and numbered cause are the following:

fiduciaries of the deceased

Trust of the Succession of  
her brother Stephen  
Williams, and on behalf  
of any and all heirs  
successors, relatives or  
friends, ~~Caroleyn Porter~~  
Maureen O'Dwyer  
Harold Joseph Gagnet  
Sally A. Richards  
Kagerton  
~~Caroleyn Porter~~  
Shaun Porter and their wife  
Stephanie Porter business to be  
Shelia Jones Jordan  
Charles Edward Jordan  
Wayne M. Jones  
Gloria Agnes Grissin,  
individually and as Administer  
Leticia Brown

~~Robin Bennett~~

Jo Anna McLean

Lee Davidson McLean III

Identified, at a later date  
by name

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~~Wesley~~

Katherine

Frank

Richard Springer Favor

and

Miriam McMichael Favor  
d/b/a The Garden Smith

Philip B. Alford

~~Gerald~~

Gerald Pipes Guice

Beverly Anne ~~Guice~~

Ferguson Guice

Constantine Frankle  
NicoladisMadeleine Alice Guice  
Nicoladis

Kenneth Hastings Guice

Anthony Phillip  
Henderson

Louis Joseph O'Dwyer, Jr. (4)  
Maurleen M. O'Dwyer  
Aaron Jacob O'Dwyer  
Henry Grady Hardy, Jr.  
Letizia Hardy  
Jane Veronica Hardy  
Brian Souterland  
Hardy  
Martin Ramos  
Richard Enret  
  
Leslie Enret  
Anthony Phillip Henderson  
Frances Y. Bellerino  
  
Louise J. Young  
Edward R. Young  
and  
Veronica F. Young  
d/b/a Floorcrafters Wood

~~representatives of the representatives  
of the classes of plaintiffs, ~~plaintiffs~~, described  
in this litigation and  
represented by undersigned  
counsel.~~

(5) Joseph Rauchwerk, M.D.  
~~and his spouse, ~~Jeanne~~~~  
Formerly Cheryl Sweet Rauchwerk  
Marilyn Von Schmidt  
Susan G. Jeanfreau, M.D.  
Wallace E. Jeanfreau, M.D.  
Robert J. Jeanfreau, M.D.

Jerry Victor Jacob  
Gloria Polkman Hecker

~~Hecker~~  
Joseph W. P. Hecker,  
in proper person

Astton R. O'Dwyer, <sup>JR,</sup> in  
proper person

NOT Plaintiffs reserve the right  
to amend the list of plaintiff  
as more persons, ~~are~~

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II.

Plaintiffs are representative  
of the following classes of  
people, inter alia:

- Ⓐ Survivors of human beings  
who died as a result of  
governmental intentional  
and negligent malfeasance,  
misfeasance and non-  
feasance prior to and  
after Hurricane KATRINA.
- Ⓑ Citizens and/or residents  
of the Parish of Orleans,  
State of Louisiana who  
suffered bodily injury,  
mental suffering and  
emotional distress as a

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intentional and negligent  
malfeasance, misfeasance  
and non-feasance, whether  
prior to and after Hurricane  
KATRINA.

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C) Citizens and/or residents  
of the Parish of Orleans,  
State of Louisiana who  
suffered loss of or  
damage to property as  
a result of government's  
intentional and  
negligent malfeasance,  
misfeasance and  
non-feasance, whether  
by flood, fire or govern-

D) Citizens and/or residents  
of the Parish of Orleans,

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State of Louisiana, ~~and~~ and  
their survivors, who suffered  
death, bodily injury,  
mental suffering, and  
emotional distress as  
a result of government's  
de facto sanctioning of  
urban terrorism ~~which~~  
~~which~~ which commenced  
even before Hurricane  
KATRINA had abated,  
and continued, virtually  
unchecked, until the  
arrival of the United  
States military in the  
City of New Orleans, long  
~~at least months had passed~~

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(E) Citizens and/or resident  
of the Parish of Orleans,  
~~State of Louisiana who~~  
~~sustained~~ suffered mental  
sufficing and emotional  
distress as a result  
of government's ultra  
vires acts such as  
claimed "mandatory  
evacuation due to  
exigent circumstances",  
which is not a legal  
concept sanctioned  
by the Constitution  
of the United States of  
America, and ~~depriva-~~  
~~tion~~ ~~loss~~ ~~interru-~~

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hungry and thirsty  
so-called "hold-outs",  
who remained in  
the City because the  
U.S. Constitution gives  
them the right to  
bear arms and  
protect their  
property at their  
own risk, and  
who were entirely  
self-sufficient, did not  
increase government's burden during  
admittedly trying times,  
and performed  
services <sup>to the community</sup> which  
government proved  
unable to perform.

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F~~x~~ citizens and/or residents  
of the Parish of Orleans,  
~~State of Louisiana~~ who  
suffered environmental  
damages akin to con-  
~~■~~tamination of natural  
resources under the  
federal ~~and~~ legislation which ~~exp~~  
make provision for  
~~■~~ Natural Resource  
Damage Assessments  
and damages recover-  
able under the Oil  
Pollution Act of 1990,  
the Louisiana Oil Spill  
Prevention and Recovery

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among others,

~~NO HATZIS~~

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III.

Made defendants in  
this action are the  
following:

- 1) The United States of America which, at all times pertinent, acted by and through its Agency and instrumentality, the United States Army Corps of Engineers.
- 2) Louisiana State Governor Kathleen Blanco, both individually and in her elected capacity.
- 3) The State of Louisiana

- 4) ~~the~~ Mayor Ray Nagin,  
both individually and  
in his elected capacity
- 5) The City of New Orleans.
- 6) Chief of Police Eddie  
Compass, both  
individually and in  
his appointed capacity  
as Chief of Police for  
the City of New  
Orleans.
- 7) Eddie Jordan, District  
Attorney for the Parish of  
Orleans, State of  
Louisiana, both individu-  
ally and in his elected  
capacity.

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- 3) Jim Huley, President  
of the Orleans Parish  
Levee Board, both individua-  
lly and in his official  
capacity
- 4) The Orleans Parish  
Levee Board.
- 5) Ray Nagin, of the  
Orleans Parish Sewerage  
And Water Board; both  
individually and in his  
~~representative~~ capacity with  
the Water Board
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_, the Criminal  
Sheriff of the Parish of  
Orleans, State of  
Louisiana, both individu-  
ally and in his elected  
capacity.

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defendants herein pursuant to the  
provisions of the Louisiana Direct  
Action statute.

- (12) \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of  
Court, criminal  
District court for the  
Parish of Orleans,  
State of Louisiana, both  
individually and in  
his elected capacity.
- (13) ABC and DEF and  
XYZ insurance  
Company, who insure  
the above-identified  
defendants (Nos. 1 through  
12) for liability, and  
who are named as

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IV.

This Court is the exclusive Court of competent jurisdiction over the United States of America. This Court has ancillary or pendent jurisdiction over the remaining defendants.

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~~EVIDENCE OF GOVERNOR'S DISTRESS,  
MAYOR NAGIN'S INCOMPETENCE~~

~~AND VIOLATION, BY MALFEASANCE AND  
MISFEASANCE, NEGLIGENCE, GROSS  
NEGLIGENCE AND INTENTIONAL INFILTRATION~~

The real story is not that ~~the city of~~ New Orleans was ransacked and its citizens raped and murdered by ~~illegal~~ illegally armed urban terrorists ~~after~~, commencing even before Hurricane Katrina had moved North of the city, but the fact that the urban terrorists had been allowed to live amongst hard-working, law-abiding, taxpayers and citizens at all before the storm.

Mayor Nagin and his appointed Chief of Police had been doing their jobs, these urban terrorists would have been disarmed. Arrested, tried,

Hurricane Katrina since the storm, as distinguished from deaths ~~as a result of~~ <sup>(19)</sup> result of natural causes, homicide, ~~or those working for him as directed,~~ drug overdoses and the like.

3) upon information and belief, prior to the approach of Hurricane Katrina, Mayor Najin had on hand in the City some 6000 body bags. Some time following the storm Mayor Najin ~~ordered~~ <sup>for those working for him as directed,</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>withdrawing</sup> ordered ~~an additional~~ ~~25,000~~ body bags, for a total of 31,000 body bags. What did Mayor Najin intend to do with 31,000 body bags; who was he trying to impress with ordering 25,000 additional body bags when he already had 6000 body bags on hand? The ~~fact~~ <sup>Mayor</sup> and ~~of Governor George W. Bush informed~~ hard-

~~attenuated or removed~~

~~comes of New Orleans~~

~~Mayors and other~~

~~body bags~~

~~it is~~

~~part of~~

~~is still~~

~~no more~~

~~months~~

and the element of Unified Command, the Incident Preparation and Planning, and Post-Incident Recovery.

Such a plan does exist, it was not (20)  
widely known about by  
hard-working, law-abiding  
tax payor and  
~~tax paying~~ citizens that  
Mayor Nagin's "leadership"  
has earned him the  
nickname "Body Bag" Nagin,  
which is an embarrass-  
ment to civilized society.

A competent Mayor of a so-called "major" city like New Orleans, and the Governor of Louisiana, should have prepared for the contingency of a Category 5 hurricane like Katrina by preparing and formulating an Area Contingency Plan pursuant to the standards of the Incident Command System within minimum-

length, most  
likely, months

the citizenry's lives, property and <sup>(2)</sup> ~~well-being~~

5) A competent Governor of a State within the United States, with full knowledge of the total breakdown of law and order in the City of New Orleans, even before Hurricane Katrina had moved out of the city, should have immediately invoked martial law or invited the United States Military Forces to do so. Upon information and belief Governor Blanco did not do so, because ~~it~~ to have done so would have required that both she and Mayor Nagin would have had to relinquish all power to the United States Army Provost Marshall - in other words the Governor made ~~was~~ a political decision, rather than one motivated

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visors off with whom (1) and

⑥ Mayor Najin, in a now-celebrated radio interview with local news celebrity Garland Robinette, demonstrated his utter ignorance of the term "martial law", which he was powerless to invoke. Further, Mayor Najin utterly failed ~~to~~ in his duties to his ~~citizen~~ citizens by ~~failing to~~ ordering City of Police Compass to invoke posse comitatus, and to depurify law-abiding citizens to do whatever was necessary to keep the peace, pursue and arrest ~~and/or kill~~ filons, and to restore order to the City, which was, in effect, ~~thinned~~ ~~now~~ ~~of~~ ~~order~~ ~~and~~ ~~names~~ ~~of~~ ~~urban~~ ~~terrorists~~ ~~for~~ ~~Mosque~~ ~~from~~

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NOFP By ~~fascists~~ the failure of Governor Blanca to declare martial law, and by the failure of Mayor Najin to ~~order~~ order his chief of Police to invoke posse comitatus, Governor Blanca and Mayor Najin in effect "organized" state and local government sponsored urban Terrorism on the City and its law-abiding citizens. For this they should pay a heavy price.

7) Governor Blanco and Mayor Nagin literally sentenced scores of citizens to certain death by failing to order the evacuation of critical care patients in hospitals, nursing homes, and the like, well in advance of the approach of the storm, of which they were well-aware for several days prior to the storm. By failing to order the evacuation of such critical care patients, by private or commercial aircraft, by train, by other means of ground transportation, or by vessels or craft capable of navigation on the Mississippi River, killed more of their constituents in this manner than they intended to do in the course of

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8) Upon information and  
belief, today, Precisely  
three (3) weeks after  
Hurricane KATRINA, only  
39 pumps out of a  
<sup>total</sup>  
Total of 179 pumps  
available to pump  
water out of the  
City of New Orleans  
are working. Why?

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9) Upon information and  
belief, at the time  
that the levee  
structures of the  
London Avenue and  
Seventeenth Street  
Canals broke, ~~REMOVED~~  
many hours AFTER  
the departure of  
Hurricane KATRINA from

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The New Orleans  
Metropolitan Area,  
there were NO,  
or only ~~some~~ a  
minimal number  
of the 179 ~~other~~ pumps  
available to the  
New Orleans Sewerage  
and Water Board  
working WHY?

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10) During the afore-mentioned ~~interview~~ radio interview with Garland Robinette, Mayor Nagin mentioned one fact that long before anyone had ever heard of ~~Hurricane~~ Hurricane KATRINA.

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"drugs were pouring  
into our city". Of  
Mayor Nagin and  
~~DeLoach~~ Chief of Police  
Compass had been  
doing their jobs  
even before the  
storm, why were  
drugs pouring into

Sanctuary, Teays, permanently,  
Mayor Nalbin recently said words to  
the effect that "Mr. Benson will get  
his new stadium, because one  
replay"

sent to the  
Suspend  
go "freek-  
will be  
have do  
be destroyed

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OUR CITY, and  
Why did Mayor  
Najin and Police  
Chief Compass

allow that to

happen?

1) Upon information and belief, notwithstanding  
Tom Benson's announcement that  
he was moving the New Orleans Saints to

P. Plaintiffs reaver  
and reiterate that

1. no - in and min.

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examples of the total  
incompetence, etc. of  
certain defendants  
is a non-exclusive  
list, and plaintiff's  
specifically  
~~reserve the right to~~  
enumerate other  
examples of incompetence,  
etc. once the facts  
become better known.

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VI.

Plaintiff's specific causes of action asserted against defendants are itemized and described in the following "Counts".

VII.  
COUNT 1

(33)

Plaintiffs reaver and reiter  
at all of their allegations as  
aforesaid, and in addition  
over that certain of the  
defendants negligently, in-  
tentionally, and with mal-  
feasance, misfeasance and  
non-feasance, failed to  
~~timely~~ order the <sup>timely</sup> evacuation  
of critical care patients in  
hospitals, nursing homes, etc  
whose very lives depended on  
the availability of electricity  
or emergency electrical  
power for the operation of  
life-sustaining medical  
equipment, without  
which the said critical  
care patients were under  
a sentence of death.

~~VII~~ COUNT 2

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entrusted the safety of their lives and  
plaintiff's reaver and property,  
reiterate all of their allega-  
tions as aforesaid, and in  
addition aver that certain  
of the defendants intention-  
ally, negligently, and  
with malfeasance, misfea-  
sance and non-feasance,  
failed in their duty to  
ensure competent design of  
the levee systems for the  
London Avenue Canal and  
the Seventeenth Street  
Canal, which were affectively  
designed, the result being  
that 80% of "something"  
was destroyed - most less

~~Count~~ X  
COUNT 3

(35)

Plaintiff's reaver and reiterate their allegations as aforsaid, and in addition aver that certain defendants intentionally, negligently and with malfeasance, misfeasance and non-feabance failed ~~to stop~~<sup>timely</sup> the flooding of 80% of "Somethin", which had survived Hurricane KATRINA, but which could not survive the incompetence of government officials at the local, state and federal levels.

which were  
watering  
holes out of  
the ground houses  
and enclosures  
on our property,  
located there,  
was no  
water to  
house the  
COUNT 4  
or lay  
downed  
electrical wires  
natural  
gas.

Plaintiffs reaver and  
reiterate all of their  
allegations as aforesaid,  
and in addition aver  
that certain of the  
defendants negligently,  
intentionally, and  
with malfeasance,  
misfeasance and non-  
feasance, failed to  
secure the water supply  
to Orleans Parish follow-  
ing ~~Hurricane~~ Hurricane KATRINA.

~~XI.~~  
COUNT - 5

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Plaintiff's reaver and reiterate their allegations as aforesaid, and in addition aver that certain defendants intentionally, negligently and with malfeasance misfeasance and non-feasance failed to protect the public from ~~the~~ marauding bands of convicted felons, and ~~the~~ persons who were "already" in the criminal justice system", illegally armed and terrorizing ~~law-abiding~~ citizens, ~~and~~ including killing them, and destroying property.

review  
results

refugees included large numbers of  
young women and children  
with many women and

XII.  
COUNT 16 (38)  
Plaintiff's reaver and  
reiterate their allegations  
as aforesaid, and in  
addition aver that certain  
defendants intentionally,  
negligently and with  
malfeasance, misfeasance  
and non-feasance failed  
to safeguard the  
identification records and  
criminal records of  
convicted sex offenders,  
including rapists and  
pedophiles, and  
"injected" these individuals  
into the refugees at the  
Louisian Superdome and  
Convention Center, which

XII.

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COUNT 7

Plaintiff reaver and  
reiterate their allegations  
as aforesaid, and in  
addition aver that certain  
defendants failed to safe-  
guard the ~~the~~ the contents  
of the evidence room at  
Criminal District Court  
for the Parish of Orleans,  
State of Louisiana in the  
face of an approaching

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Category 5 hurricane, by failing to simply move evidence necessary for criminal prosecution of "real bad guys and gals" to higher floors of the building, with the result that evidence was lost and/or compromised, and successful prosecution thwarted.

~~(10)~~XIV.

COUNT 8

Plaintiffs reaver and  
reiterate their allega-  
tions as aforesaid,  
and in addition  
aver that certain  
defendants failed to  
safeguard the means  
of identifying prisoners

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Who were incarcerated  
in Orleans Parish  
Prison, meaning that  
law enforcement's  
ability to prove that  
a certain "John Doe" or  
"Richard Roe" prisoner,  
who is now in  
Texas, or "wherever",  
<sup>or she</sup>  
is still unknown to the court.

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XV

## COUNT 9

Plaintiff's reaver and  
reiterate all of their  
allegations as aforesaid,  
and in addition aver  
that certain of the  
defendants negligent,  
intentionally, and with  
malfeasance, misfeasance

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and non-feasance  
caused pollution of  
the ~~area~~ environment  
of the ~~area~~ territory and  
~~of the area~~ atmosphere  
of the Parish of Orleans,  
State of Louisiana, which  
not only caused damage  
to plaintiffs and others  
non-named persons and

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corporations similarly  
situated to plaintiffs,  
but which pollution  
must be contained,  
cleaned up, remediated  
and disposed of — a  
~~Herculean~~ and  
expensive task,

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XVI.

Plaintiffs ~~wanted~~ long for the  
days in the City of New  
Orleans and in the State  
of Louisiana ~~wanted~~ when  
certain behavior was  
simply UNACCEPTABLE to  
polite, respectful, law-  
abiding citizens. Plain-  
tiffs long for the days  
when the citizens, black  
and white, would not  
~~tolerate~~ tolerate idleness,  
drug use ~~and~~ or crime - a  
land in which children  
knew their father's last  
name, because he lived  
in a honest neighborhood.

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Whatever towards women, no matter what  
their race, color or condition,  
whether worked or not,  
and whatever  
~~she~~ had ~~acquired~~ through his  
own industry (no one  
"gave" it to him), with  
~~them~~ and his wife, the  
children's mother.

Plaintiff's say for the  
days when twelve (12)  
year old girls did not  
give birth to illegitimate  
children, and where  
clergymen, black and  
white, taught people  
from a tender age that  
killing and looting and  
possession of illegal  
firearms was a crime, and  
that it was a sin to  
dinner and dinner

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Plaintiffs long for ~~a~~ a  
return to sanity, and  
a world in which  
unacceptable behavior  
will not be toler-  
ated, ~~and~~ rather  
~~desires~~ a world  
than a world in  
which what was once  
unacceptable behavir

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is now not only  
acceptable, but  
the norm and  
commonplace.

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XVII

Plaintiff's specifically  
invoke the doctrine  
of res ipsa loquitur  
in connection with  
the factual and legal  
circumstances which  
resulted in the  
bringing of this  
action.

(5) Pursuant to the provisions of Rule  
39(e), FRCP, or any other  
applicable Rule.

XVIII

Plaintiffs demand trial by jury  
as to all issues so triable as to  
every party. As to parties to  
which trial by jury is not  
available, such as the United  
States of America, plaintiffs  
herein do not demand a trial.

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XIX.

Undersigned counsel for  
plaintiffs represent to  
the Court that this  
complaint has been  
prepared without the  
benefit of a  
law library. Accord-  
ingly, undersigned  
counsel reserve the

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right to amend  
this Complaint after  
they have the  
opportunity to  
read the law.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs  
pray ~~you~~ that their  
class status be  
recognized and con-

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stified as such, and  
that after trial on the  
merits, and all due  
proceedings had, there  
be judgment entered  
in favor of plaintiffs  
and against  
defendants, jointly,  
severally and in  
addition on costs.

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amount of their  
damages, plus  
reasonable attorney  
fees, <sup>pre-judgment</sup> interest, and  
costs.

lawfirm of  
ODwyer and  
Hecker, L.L.C.  
counsel for Plaintiffs

~~XXXX~~

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