

## COMPLAINT FOR FRAUD Sample Only Use At Your Own Risk



**INSTRUCTIONS**: The following is a "cause of action" to be inserted after the heading of the complaint and common allegations. Include as many other causes of action as you have claims such as fraud, accounting, etc. Your "prayer" (request for relief) comes after your causes of action and must describe the relief you are seeking for each cause of action.

## **CAUSE OF ACTION**

(For Fraud Against \_\_\_\_)

<>. Defendant\_\_, \_\_\_ is\_\_, and at all times herein mentioned was\_\_, a

resident\_\_\_ of the City of \_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_, State of California.

<>. Defendant\_\_, \_\_\_, is\_\_, and at all times herein mentioned, was\_\_ a

Corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California with

principle offices located at \_\_\_\_, in the City of \_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_.

<>. Plaintiff\_\_\_\_ is\_\_\_\_ ignorant of the true names and capacities of defendants sued herein as DOES I through X, inclusive, and therefore sues\_\_\_\_ these defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff\_\_\_ will amend this complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained.

<>. Plaintiff\_\_\_\_ is\_\_\_\_ informed and believes\_\_\_\_ and thereon alleges\_\_\_\_ that, at all times herein mentioned, each of the defendants sued herein was the agent and employee of each of the remaining defendants and was at all times acting within the purpose and scope of such agency and employment.

. On or about \_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_, defendant \_\_\_\_ falsely and fraudulently represented to plaintiff that \_\_\_\_.

<>. The representations made by defendant were in fact false. The true facts

were:\_\_\_\_

<>. When the defendant made these representations \_\_\_\_\_ knew them to be false, and these representations were made by defendant with the intent to defraud and deceive plaintiff and with the intent to induce plaintiff to act in the manner herein alleged. (--AND \_\_\_\_\_ At the time defendant made the promises to plaintiff, defendant had no intention of performing them.

<>. Plaintiff, at the time these representations were made by defendant and at the time plaintiff took the actions herein alleged, was ignorant of the falsity of defendant's representations and believed them to be true. (---OR \_\_\_\_\_ Plaintiff, at the time this promise was made and at the time plaintiff took the actions herein alleged, was ignorant of defendant's secret intention not to perform and plaintiff could not, in the exercise of reasonable diligence, have discovered defendant's secret intention.) In reliance on these representations, plaintiff was induced to and did \_\_\_\_\_. Had plaintiff known the actual facts, \_\_\_\_ would not have taken such action. (---OR \_\_\_\_ If plaintiff had known of the actual intention of defendant, plaintiff would not have taken such action.)

<>. As a proximate result of defendant's fraud and deciet and the facts herein alleged, plaintiff was \_\_\_\_ by reason of which plaintiff has been damaged in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_.

<>. In doing the acts herein alleged, defendant acted with oppression, fraud, and malice, and plaintiff is entitled to punitive damages in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff pray judgment against defendant and each of them, as follows:

1. For general damages in the sum of \$\_\_\_;

For damages for \_\_\_\_ in the sum of \$\_\_\_;

3. For punitive damages in the sum of \$\_\_\_;

- 4. For costs of suit incurred herein; and
- 5. For such other and further relief as the court may deem proper.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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