AO 440 (Rev. 06/12) Summons in a Civil Action

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Central District of California

Federal Trade Commission

Plaintiff(s)

v.

Ascend Capventures Inc., also doing business as Ascend Ecom LLC; Ascend Ecomm LLC; ACV; ACV Partners; Accelerated Ecommerce Ventures; Ascend Distribution LLC; Ethix Capital; (See attachment #1)

Defendant(s)

Civil Action No. 2:24CV7660SPG(JPRx)

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: *(Defendant's name and address)* Ascend Capventures
Registered Agent: Cloud Peak Law, LLC
1095 Sugar View Dr., Suite 500
Sheridan, WY 82801

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are:

Jody Goodman and Elsie Kappler
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, CC-8528
Washington, DC 20580

If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

Date: 9/9/24

CLERK OF COURT

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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MARIA ROBLES VAZQUEZ

Civil Action No.

PROOF OF SERVICE

(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 (l))

This summons for *(name of individual and title, if any)* _____

was received by me on *(date)* _____ .

❒ I personally served the summons on the individual at *(place)* _____

_____ on *(date)* _____ ; or

❒ I left the summons at the individual's residence or usual place of abode with *(name)* _____

_____ , a person of suitable age and discretion who resides there,

on *(date)* _____ , and mailed a copy to the individual's last known address; or

❒ I served the summons on *(name of individual)* _____ , who is

designated by law to accept service of process on behalf of *(name of organization)* _____

_____ on *(date)* _____ ; or

❒ I returned the summons unexecuted because _____ ; or

❒ Other *(specify):*

My fees are $ _____ for travel and $ _____ for services, for a total of $ 0.00 .

I declare under penalty of perjury that this information is true.

Date: _____

_____

Server's signature

_____

Printed name and title

_____

Server's address

Additional information regarding attempted service, etc:

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ATTACHMENT #1 TO SUMMONS

REMAINING PARTIES:

Ascend Capventures Inc., also doing business as continued:

ACV Nexus, a Wyoming close corporation profit corporation,

Ascend Ecommerce Inc., also doing business as Ascend Ecom LLC, a Wyoming close corporation profit corporation,

Ascend Administration Inc., a California general stock corporation,

Ascend Ecom LLC, a Wyoming limited liability company,

Ascend Distribution LLC, a Texas limited liability company,

William Michael Basta, individually and as an officer and/or owner of Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend Ecommerce Inc., and Ascend Administration Inc., and Ascend Distribution LLC, and

Jeremy Kenneth Leung, individually and as an officer and/or owner of Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend Ecommerce Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., and Ascend Distribution LLC.