

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**KURIAN DAVID, et al.,**  
**Plaintiffs,**  
**-against-**  
**SIGNAL INTERNATIONAL, LLC, et al.,**  
**Defendants.**

**CIVIL ACTION**  
**No. 08-1220 (SM/DEK)**  
**SECTION "E"**

**Related Case:**  
**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT**  
**OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION**  
**Plaintiffs,**  
**and**  
**SABULAL VIJAYAN, et al.**  
**Plaintiffs-**  
**Intervenors**  
**-against-**  
**SIGNAL INTERNATIONAL, LLC,**  
**Defendant.**

**CIVIL ACTION**  
**No. 12-0557 (SM/DEK)**  
**SECTION "E"**

**Related Case:**  
**LAKSHMANAN PONNAYAN ACHARI,**  
**et al.**  
**Plaintiffs,**  
**-against-**  
**SIGNAL INTERNATIONAL, LLC, et al.,**  
**Defendants**

**CIVIL ACTION**  
**No. 13-6218 (SM/DEK)**  
**(c/w 13-6219, 13-6220, 13-**  
**6221,**  
**14-732, 14-1818)**  
**SECTION "E"**

**Applies To: David, No. 08-1220**

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**JUDGMENT**

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In accordance with the verdict the jury rendered on February 18, 2015,<sup>1</sup> and this Court's March 20, 2015 Order granting Plaintiffs' motion for entry of final judgment pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(b),<sup>2</sup> the Court enters judgment in favor of Plaintiffs and against Defendant LAW OFFICES OF MALVERN C. BURNETT, APC in the amount of \$915,000, plus pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest as awarded in this Court's May 11, 2015 Order,<sup>3</sup> as follows:

1. For Plaintiff JACOB JOSEPH KADAKKARAPPALLY and against Defendant LAW OFFICES OF MALVERN C. BURNETT, APC ("Burnett Law Offices"): \$195,000, consisting of
  - a. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM ONE"),
    - i. \$40,000 as compensatory damages;
    - ii. \$100,000 as punitive damages.
  - b. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the RICO (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FOUR"),
    - i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0;
    - ii. \$40,000 as the trebled amount of compensatory damages before set-offs.
  - c. For Burnett Law Offices' Fraud (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FIVE"),

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<sup>1</sup> R. Doc. 2272-3.

<sup>2</sup> R. Doc. 2336.

<sup>3</sup> R. Doc. 2404.



- i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0.
  - d. For Burnett Law Offices' Breach of Contract or Promissory Estoppel (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM SEVEN"),
    - i. \$5,000 as compensatory damages;
    - ii. \$10,000 as punitive damages.
3. For Plaintiff PALANYANDI THANGAMANI and against Defendant LAW OFFICES OF MALVERN C. BURNETT, APC ("Burnett Law Offices"): \$175,000, consisting of
- a. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM ONE"),
    - i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages;
    - ii. \$100,000 as punitive damages.
  - b. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the RICO (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FOUR"),
    - i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0;
    - ii. \$40,000 as the trebled amount of compensatory damages before set-offs.
  - c. For Burnett Law Offices' Fraud (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FIVE"),

- i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0.
  - d. For Burnett Law Offices' Breach of Contract or Promissory Estoppel (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM SEVEN"),
    - i. \$5,000 as compensatory damages;
    - ii. \$10,000 as punitive damages.
4. For Plaintiff PADAVETTIYIL ISAAC ANDREWS and against Defendant LAW OFFICES OF MALVERN C. BURNETT, APC ("Burnett Law Offices"):  
\$195,000, consisting of
  - a. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM ONE"),
    - i. \$40,000 as compensatory damages;
    - ii. \$100,000 as punitive damages.
  - b. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the RICO (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FOUR"),
    - i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0;
    - ii. \$40,000 as the trebled amount of compensatory damages before set-offs.
  - c. For Burnett Law Offices' Fraud (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FIVE"),

- i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0.
    - d. For Burnett Law Offices' Breach of Contract or Promissory Estoppel (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM SEVEN"),
      - i. \$5,000 as compensatory damages;
      - ii. \$10,000 as punitive damages.
- 5. For Plaintiff HEMANT KHUTTAN and against Defendant LAW OFFICES OF MALVERN C. BURNETT, APC: \$175,000, consisting of
  - a. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM ONE"),
    - i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages;
    - ii. \$100,000 as punitive damages.
  - b. For Burnett Law Offices' violations of the RICO (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FOUR"),
    - i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0;
    - ii. \$40,000 as the trebled amount of compensatory damages before set-offs.
  - c. For Burnett Law Offices' Fraud (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM FIVE"),

- i. \$20,000 as compensatory damages, reduced by a set-off for duplicative damages awarded under other claims in the amount of \$20,000, resulting in net compensatory damages in the amount of \$0.
- d. For Burnett Law Offices' Breach of Contract or Promissory Estoppel (Rec. Doc. 2272-3, "CLAIM SEVEN"),
  - i. \$5,000 as compensatory damages;
  - ii. \$10,000 as punitive damages.
6. Pre-judgment interest is awarded on all claims except RICO.<sup>4</sup> Pre-judgment interest will accrue from March 7, 2008 at the Louisiana judicial interest rate.
7. Post-judgment interest will accrue at the federal rate.
8. Costs and Plaintiffs' reasonable attorneys' fees shall be taxed against Burnett Law Offices. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enter a separate or amended judgment against Burnett Law Offices for costs and Plaintiffs' reasonable attorneys' fees.
9. There is no just reason to delay entry of final judgment.

**New Orleans, Louisiana, this 11th day of May, 2015.**

  
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**SUSIE MORGAN**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

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<sup>4</sup> See R. Doc. 2404.