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ANDREW LEHMAN, SR.,	Ş	CASE NO
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Plaintiff,	8	HARRIS COUNTY
	§	DISTRICT COURT
	8	[Unlimited Jurisdiction]
v.		
	(A)	
DEL ANGEL TRAILER RENTAL, LLC	Š	Complaint for:
A Texas Limited Liability Company,	8	(1) Negligence
And ANTONIO DEL ANGEL, an individual	Š	(2) Breach of Contract
And Omar Del Angele, an individual,	Ş	(3) Conversion
Control of the Contro	8	(4) Violation of UPTPA
Defendants,	Š	(5) Intentional Infliction of
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	Š	(6) Negligent Infliction of
	8	Emotional Distress
	8	(7) Breach of Warranty
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# PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL COMPLAINT

### TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW, Andrew Lehman, Sr., Plaintiff, and files his Original Complaint against Del Angel Trailer Rentals, Defendant, and in support thereof would respectfully show the Court as follows:

### I. PARTIES AND SERVICE

1. Plaintiff, Andrew Lehman, Sr., is an individual residing in Harris County, Texas. Plaintiff may be contacted by mail at 6140 hwy 6 s # 1160, Missouri City, TX 77459, or by phone at 713-903-9690.

- 2. Defendant, Del Angel Trailer Rental, LLC is a Texas Limited Liability Company, that rents trailers to individuals and businesses and may be served with process at its registered agent location ANTONIO DEL ANGEL, 6305 FM 359 RD, Brookshire, TX 77423, or at its principal office located at \$233 FM 529, Cypress, Texas 77433.
- 3. Defendant, ANTONIO DEL ANGEL, on information and belief, is an owner of co-defendant company and was present and involved in aking the decision to repossess the Plaintiff's trailer while in the middle Ohis move and dump all of Plaintiff's belongings onto private property knowing that it would cause serious harm to the Plaintiff. This individual Defendant can be served at the principal office location of 6305 FM 358 RD, Brookshire, TX 77423,
- 4. Defendant OMAR DEL ANGEL, on information and belief, is an owner of codefendant company and was present and involved in making the decision to
  repossess the Plaintiff's trailer while in the middle of his move and dump all
  of Plaintiff's belongings onto private property knowing that it would cause
  serious harm to the Plaintiff. This individual Defendant can be served at the
  principal office togation of 6305 FM 359 RD, Brookshire, TX 77423,

### II. JURISDIÇEION AND VENUE

- This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §
   24.007, as the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs.
- 6. Venue is proper in Harris County, Texas under Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rep. Code §
  15.002, because this is the county in which the events giving rise to this claim occurred, and the Defendant resides and conducts business in Flarris County.

#### III. FACTS

- 7. On or about October 16, 2024, Plaintiff, Andrew Lehman, Sr., entered into a rental agreement with Defendant Del Angel Trailer Rentals for the lease of a 20-foot moving trailer to transport his personal belongings. Plaintiff rented the trailer at Defendant's place of prisiness located at 21233 FM 529, Cypress, Texas.
- 8. Plaintiff had all his personal belongings packed in the trailer, which included significant financial and sentimental items, including furniture from his 7-bedroom home office equipment from his 1,200 sq. foot office, as well as the clothes of his 4 children aged 16, 15, 13, and 1; as part of a planned move to San Aptonio, TX.
- 9. On the early morning of October 17, 2024, at La Quinta Inn & Suites in Lulling, Jexas, (just 15 miles from the Plaintiff's final destination) Defendant

- repossessed the trailer early in the morning and dumped Plaintiff's personal belongings in the hotel parking lot and drove away.
- 10. Despite Plaintiff's timely payment of nearly \$400.00 and valid rental agreement, on October 17, 2024 Defendant, through its agents, employees, or representatives, unlawfully repossessed the trailer which was in the possession of the Plaintiff, which was still under rental agreement, and was only past due for one day, and the plaintiff's active security deposit covered any past due amounts.
- 11. Immediately after dumping the Plaintiff's personal belongings, which were valued at more then \$75,000.00, the Defendant's, and each of them, hooked the trailer up to their truck and drove away abandoning the plaintiff and all of his belongings on the personal property of a 3rd party without attempting to mitigate the circumstances what soever, immediately thereafter the Lulling Police Department arrived and threatened the Plaintiff that they would take him to jail for dumping it he didn't remove all the property or put the property in the dumpster within 60 minutes.
- 12. In a frantic rush, the Plaintiff and his minor children, including his infant son, called every storage place in the 25 mile area as well as every trailer rental place in 50 mile radius and no one had immediate availability. Thus the Plaintiff and his minor children were forced to clear the parking lot of all debris and put their expensive items into the dumpster and leave town to return to their former home in sugar land, tx.

- 13. Defendant's actions were negligent and reckless, as they caused irreparable damage to Plaintiff's personal property. Additionally, Defendant failed to allow Plaintiff a reasonable opportunity to remove his belongings from the trailer, causing significant financial harm to the Plaintiff.
- 14. The location where Plaintiff's belongings were dumped was remote and inadequately secured, which led to further theft and damage to Plaintiff's personal property, resulting in substantial loss.
- 15. As a direct result of Defendant's actions, Plaintiff suffered significant emotional and psychological distress and nearly faced legal action, including the threat of being incarcerated due to the chaotic and unlawful handling of his property. The mess created by the Defendant significantly affected Plaintiff's ability to proceed with his relocation plans.

### FIRST CAUSES OF ACTION

#### Negligence

- 16. Defendant owed a daty of care to Plaintiff to handle Plaintiff's personal property responsibly and in accordance with the terms of the rental agreement.
- 17. Defendant breached this duty by repossessing the trailer and disposing of Plaintiff's personal property in an unreasonable and unsafe manner, which caused Plaintiff harm.
- 18. a result of Defendant's negligence, Plaintiff has suffered substantial economic losses, emotional distress, and other consequential damages.

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Conversion of Property

- 19. By repossessing the trailer and dumping Plaintiff's belongings without authorization, Defendant wrongfully exercised control over Plaintiff's personal property.
- 20 Defendant's actions constitute conversion of Plaintiff's property, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages for the value of the property converted.

## THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

### Violation of the Texas Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices Act

- 21 Defendant engaged in conduct that violates the Texas Deceptive Trade

  Practices Consumer Protection Act (DTPA), specifically by engaging in

  unconscionable actions and misrepresentations relating to the rental of the

  trailer and the handling of Plaintiff's property.
- 22. Defendant's actions were deceptive, unfair, and caused Plaintiff to suffer significant financial narm, warranting the recovery of damages under the DTPA.

#### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Breach of Contract

23. Defendant's repossession of the trailer and the disposal of Plaintiff's belongings without notice or opportunity to retrieve them constituted a breach of the rental agreement.

24. As a result of Defendant's breach, Plaintiff has suffered damages in the amount of the value of the lost property and other consequential losses.

### FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress

- 25. Defendant's actions, including repossessing the trailer without notice and dumping Plaintiff's belongings in a remote location, were outrageous, extreme, and beyond the bounds of decency.
- 26. Defendant's conduct was intended to cause are was in reckless disregard of the probability of causing, Plaintiff severe exotional distress.
- 27. As a result of Defendant's extreme and outrageous conduct, Plaintiff has suffered severe emotional distress, including anxiety, humiliation, anger, and psychological trauma.
- 28. Defendant's actions were intentional or grossly negligent, and Plaintiff is entitled to recover for the emotional distress suffered as a direct result of Defendant's conduct.

### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress

- 29. Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty to exercise reasonable care in the repossession and handling of Plaintiff's property, particularly considering the significant personal and emotional value of the items involved.
- 30. Defendant's breach of that duty, including repossessing the trailer without notice and disposing of Plaintiff's belongings in a reckless manner, was foreseeable and resulted in severe emotional distress to Plaintiff.
- 31. As a direct result of Defendant's negligence, Plaintiff suffered significant emotional distress, including symptoms of anxiety depression, and distress about the loss of personal property.
- 32. Plaintiff is entitled to recover for the emotional distress caused by Defendant's negligent conduct.

### SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Breach of Warranty

- 33. In entering into the rental agreement, Defendant implicitly warranted that it would provide a pailer for Plaintiff's use that was fit for its intended purpose and that it would not unlawfully repossess the trailer or dispose of Plaintiff's belongings.
- 34. Defendant breached this warranty by unlawfully repossessing the trailer and negligently or intentionally dumping Plaintiff's personal belongings, which

was not fit for the agreed upon purpose and was contrary to Plaintiff's reasonable expectations as a renter.

35. As a result of Defendant's breach of warranty, Plaintiff has suffered substantial damages, including the loss of personal property, quotional distress, and other consequential harm.

#### V. DAMAGES

- 36. Plaintiff seeks actual damages, including but not limited to the value of the personal property lost or damaged, which exceeds \$75,000.00
- 37. Plaintiff seeks treble damages under the Tooks Deceptive Trade Practices Act (DTPA) and for the conversion of property in an amount of no less then \$225,000.00.
- 38. Plaintiff also seeks punitive damages due to the reckless and malicious conduct of Defendant in handling Plaintiff's property and causing harm.
- 39. Plaintiff further seeks damages for emotional distress, including both intentional infliction and negligent infliction of emotional distress.
- 40. Plaintiff further seeks recovery of attorney's fees and all costs of this suit, as well as any other relief that the Court deems just and proper.

#### VI. PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiff Andrew Lehman, Sr.

respectfully requests that this Court

- Enter judgment in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant for all actual damages sustained by Plaintiff, including the loss of personal property and any consequential damages;
- 2. Award Plaintiff treble damages under the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices

  Act and for the conversion of property:
- 3. Award Plaintiff punitive damages for Defendant's reckless conduct:
- 4. Award Plaintiff damages for intentional infliction of emotional distress and negligent infliction of emotional distress.
- 5. Award Plaintiff damages for breach of warranty
- 6. Award Plaintiff attorney's fees and costs of suit
- 7. Grant any other relief the Court deems, ust and proper.

EXECUTED THIS 26th day of NOVEMBER, 2024 at Harris County, TX.

Respectfully submitted,

### /s/ ANDREW LEHMAN

Plaintiff, Andrew Lemmn, Sr. Pro Se 6140 HWY 6 S # 1160, Missouri City, TX 77459 713-903-9690 Lehmaniaz 222 xmail.com

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