# IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN

GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS,

Case No.:

PLAINTIFF,

V.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES

ESTATE OF JEFFREY E. EPSTEIN, THE 1953 TRUST, PLAN D, LLC; GREAT ST. JIM, LLC; NAUTILUS, INC.; HYPERION AIR, LLC; POPLAR, INC., JOHN AND JANE DOES

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

DEFENDANTS,

#### **COMPLAINT**

COMES NOW, the Government of the United States Virgin Islands ("Government") and files this Complaint against the above-named Defendants and in support thereof, would show unto the Court as follows:

#### **JURISDICTION AND PARTIES**

- 1. The Attorney General of the United States Virgin Islands (herein after "Virgin Islands") brings this action on behalf of the Plaintiff, Government of the Virgin Islands, pursuant to 3 V.I.C. § 114 and her statutory authority to enforce the laws of the Virgin Islands, and advocate for the public interest, safety, health and well-being of persons in the Virgin Islands.
- 2. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this civil matter pursuant to 4 V.I.C. § 76 and 14 V.I.C. § 607.
  - 3. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the parties pursuant to 5 V.I.C. § 4903.

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- 4. The Virgin Islands is an unincorporated territory of the United States. It consists of St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John, and Water Island, and more than 40 surrounding islands and Cays, some of which are privately owned. Among these privately owned islands are Little St. James and Great St. James.
- 5. Jeffrey E. Epstein ("Epstein") was a resident of the Virgin Islands and he maintained a residence on Little St. James, which he acquired in 1998 and in 2016 he also purchased Great St. James.
- 6. Epstein registered as a sex offender in the Virgin Islands in 2010. He was a Tier I offender under Virgin Islands law based upon his Florida conviction of procuring a minor for prostitution. As a Tier I offender, Epstein was required to register annually with the Virgin Islands Department of Justice ("VIDOJ") and give advance notice of his travel to and from the Virgin Islands. Epstein was also subject to random address verification by VIDOJ.
- 7. Epstein was found dead on August 10, 2019 while in custody in New York for sex crimes.
- 8. Defendant, Estate of Jeffrey E. Epstein ("The Estate"), created upon Epstein's death, is domiciled in the Virgin Islands. On August 15, 2019, the Executors of The Estate, Darren K. Indyke and Richard D. Kahn, filed a Petition for Probate and Letters Testamentary which included Epstein's last will and testament with the Probate Division of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands.
- 9. The Petition reports the value of the real and personal property in The Estate located in the Virgin Islands at \$577,672,654.00 dollars.
  - 10. According to the Petition, the assets in the Virgin Islands thus far includes:
    - a. \$56.5 million in cash;

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- b. \$127 million in fixed income and equity investments;
- c. \$195 million in hedge fund and private equity investments; and
- d. \$18.5 million in planes, boats, and automobiles.

The Estate has not yet valued his fine arts, antiques, and other valuables.

- 11. The Estate also includes shares of various corporate entities which hold residences and real property used by Epstein, namely:
  - a. Brownstone in New York City valued at \$56 million;
  - b. Ranch in New Mexico valued at \$72 million;
  - c. Gated home in Palm Beach, Florida, valued at \$12 million;
  - d. Seven units in an apartment building in Paris, valued at \$8 million; and
  - e. Great St. James and Little St. James, collectively valued at \$86 million.
- 12. The Estate is responsible to pay damages for the acts committed by Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise described below.
- 13. Defendant, The 1953 Trust ("The Trust") was created by Epstein, who "amended and restated" its terms only two days before his suicide. That same day, Epstein revised his Last Will and Testament, transferring all of his "property, real and personal, wherever situated" to The Trust.
- 14. The Trust also contains Epstein's financial assets and is also responsible to pay damages for the acts committed by Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise described below. The Trust's administrators, Darren K. Indyke and Richard D. Kahn, filed a Certificate of Trust in the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands for The Trust on August 26, 2019.
- 15. Epstein maintained a deliberately complex web of Virgin Islands corporations, limited liability companies, foundations, and other entities, not all of which are yet known to the

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Government of the Virgin Islands, through which he carried out and concealed his criminal conduct.

- 16. Epstein regularly created new entities in the territory and transferred properties and funds between them in order to preserve and shield Epstein's assets and to facilitate and conceal the unlawful acts described in this Complaint.
- 17. These entities held properties, including Little St. James and Great St. James, at which Epstein trafficked and sexually abused women and underage girls. Epstein owned and arranged for private planes, helicopters, boat and automobiles to transport victims to, from, and within the Virgin Islands, and provided money to pay these young women and underage girls.
- 18. Epstein sat at the hub of this web, serving as president, member, manager, or director of each of the entities and, upon information and belief, directing their activities.
- 19. Defendant, Nautilus, Inc., is a corporation established and organized under the laws of the Virgin Islands. It was incorporated on November 22, 2011.
- 20. According to records of the Virgin Islands Recorder of Deeds, Nautilus, Inc. owns Little St. James, a/k/a Parcel Number 109803010100, a parcel of 3.1 million square feet valued at \$3.2 million, with buildings and improvements valued at \$4 million.
- 21. Epstein was president and director of Nautilus, Inc., which corporate filings describe as "holding property for personal use." Darren Indyke and Richard Kahn, Executors of the Estate, are the secretary and treasurer of Nautilus, Inc., respectively. The Estate values Epstein's holdings of Nautilus, Inc., which holds title to Little St. James at \$63.9 million.
- 22. A deed recorded with the Virgin Islands Recorder of Deeds on December 30, 2011 reflects that the property was transferred from a Delaware entity, L.S.J., LLC, to Nautilus, Inc. for "TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration." The quitclaim deed lists

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Jeffrey Epstein as the sole member of L.S.J., LLC, which it acquired Little Saint James via a warranty deed dated April 27, 1998.

- 23. As described below, Epstein engaged in a pattern and practice of trafficking and sexually abusing young women and female children on this private, secluded island of Little St. James where Epstein and his associates could avoid detection of their illegal activity from Virgin Islands and federal law enforcement and prevent these young women and underage girls from leaving freely and escaping the abuse.
- 24. Thus, Nautilus, Inc. participated in carrying out, facilitating and concealing Epstein's crimes, hence Little St. James became an instrumentality of those crimes.
- 25. Defendant, Great St. Jim, LLC, is a limited liability company established and organized under the laws of the Virgin Islands. Great St. Jim, LLC was organized on October 26, 2015. Great St. Jim, LLC, according to records of the Virgin Islands Recorder of Deeds, owns at least three properties that make up Great St. James acquired on January 28, 2016: Parcel Number 10980101000, consisting of 3.5 million square feet and valued at \$17.5 million; Parcel Number 109801010200, consisting of 450,000 square feet of land, valued at \$2.8 million; and Parcel Number 109801010300, 1.2 million square feet of land, valued at \$2.7 million. According to a warranty deed filed with the Virgin Islands Recorder of Deeds, Epstein, through Great St. Jim, LLC, acquired the last two parcels for \$5 million.
- 26. Epstein is listed as manager and a member of Great St. Jim, LLC and the nature of its business is described as "holding assets."
- 27. Upon information and belief, Epstein purchased these Great St. James properties—the island with closest proximity to Little St. James—to further shield his conduct on Little St. James from view, prevent his detection by law enforcement or the public, and allow him to

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continue and conceal his criminal enterprise. Epstein's significant investment in the purchase of Great St. James demonstrates his intent to expand his illegal operation in the Virgin Islands for years to come. Thus, Great St. Jim, LLC participated in carrying out, concealing, facilitating and continuing Epstein's crimes, and Great St. James became an instrumentality of those crimes.

- 28. Defendant, Poplar, Inc., is a corporation established and organized under the laws of the Virgin Islands. Poplar, Inc. was incorporated on November 22, 2011. Epstein was president and director of Poplar, Inc., and its purpose was described in corporate filings as "holding property for personal use." Darren Indyke and Richard Kahn, Executors of the Estate, are secretary and treasurer of Poplar, Inc., respectively.
- 29. A certificate of incumbency provided to the Department of Planning and Natural Resources ("DPNR") also lists Epstein as president of Poplar, Inc. and expressly authorizes the incorporators to conduct "transactions related to permitting matters submitted on behalf of Great St. Jim, LLC."
- 30. Poplar, Inc. is listed as the signatory for the 2017 Annual Report for Great St. Jim, LLC, and the signature appears to be Epstein's. The Petition for Probate and Letters Testamentary filed by The Estate lists Poplar, Inc. as holding title to Great St. James. Thus, Poplar, Inc. participated in carrying out, concealing, facilitating and continuing Epstein's crimes.
- 31. Defendant, Plan D, LLC is a limited liability company established and organized under the laws of the Virgin Islands. In its original Articles of Organization, filed October 19, 2012, and Annual Report filings, Epstein's pilot, Larry Visoski, was listed as Plan D, LLC's sole manager/member. However, the July 31, 2019 Annual Report revealed Epstein as the principal behind Plan D, LLC.

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- 32. Upon information and belief, Plan D, LLC owns one or more of the airplanes and helicopters that Epstein used to transport young women and children to and from the Virgin Islands to carry out the criminal pattern of activity described below. Among the airplanes owned by Plan D, LLC is a Gulfstream with N-number N212JE. Flight logs and travel notices indicate that Epstein used this plane to traffic and transport and young women and underage girls to the Virgin Islands.
- 33. Defendant, Hyperion Air, LLC is a limited liability company established and organized under the laws of the Virgin Islands on October 19, 2012. Jeffrey Epstein is a manager/member of Hyperion Air, LLC, along with his pilot, Larry Visoski. The purpose of Hyperion Air, LLC is listed in its Annual Report as "holding assets."
- 34. Hyperion Air, LLC is the registered owner of a Bell helicopter with N-number N331JE and a Keystone helicopter with N-number N722JE. Upon information and belief, Epstein used these helicopters to transport young women and underage girls between St. Thomas and Little St. James.
- 35. John and Jane Does represent individuals and entities whose identities or involvement with Epstein are currently unknown. The Government of the Virgin Islands will amend the Complaint to add these individuals and entities when discovered.
- 36. The Attorney General brings this action to seek all remedies available to the Government of the Virgin Islands in enforcing its laws and protecting the public interest and public safety. These claims are distinct from, and are not intended to supplant, the claims of victims who were unconscionably harmed by Jeffrey Epstein and his associates.

### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

# A. The Conduct of the "Epstein Enterprise" in the Virgin Islands

- 37. Epstein and his associates, including Defendants, identified and recruited female victims, including children, and transported them to the Virgin Islands where they were abused and injured. Epstein, through and in association with Defendants, trafficked, raped, sexually assaulted and held captive underage girls and young women at his properties in the Virgin Islands.
- 38. Epstein created a network of companies and individuals who participated in and conspired with him in a pattern of criminal activity related to the sex trafficking, forced labor, sexual assault, child abuse, and sexual servitude of these young women and children. Epstein and his associates trafficked underage girls to the Virgin Islands, held them captive, and sexually abused them, causing them grave physical, mental, and emotional injury.
- 39. To accomplish his illegal ends, Epstein formed an association in fact with multiple Defendants and others (both companies and individuals) who were willing to participate in, facilitate, and conceal Epstein's criminal activity in exchange for Epstein's bestowal of financial and other benefits, including sexual services and forced labor from victims.
- 40. This illicit association of Epstein, Defendants, and his associates constitutes what is referred to herein as the "Epstein Enterprise." Epstein's associates in the Epstein Enterprise, including, but not limited to, those named as Defendants knowingly facilitated, participated in, and concealed Epstein's illegal conduct.
- 41. Epstein used his wealth and power to create the Epstein Enterprise which engaged in a pattern of criminal activity in the Virgin Islands by repeatedly procuring and subjecting underage girls and young women to unlawful sexual conduct, sex trafficking, and forced labor.

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- 42. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in a pattern of criminal activity in the Virgin Islands (and elsewhere) with the criminal purpose and goal of placing a steady supply of vulnerable female children and young women into sexual servitude in service of Epstein's desires, and those of his associates. The Epstein Enterprise maintained and made available young women and underage girls for the purpose of engaging them in forced labor and sexual activities and used coercion and deception to procure, abuse, and harbor its victims.
- 43. Flight logs and other sources establish that between 2001 and 2019 the Epstein Enterprise transported underage girls and young women to the Virgin Islands, who were then taken via helicopter or private vessel to Little St. James where they were then deceptively subjected to sexual servitude, forced to engage in sexual acts and coerced into commercial sexual activity and forced labor.
- 44. In furtherance of its criminal activities, the Epstein Enterprise used its aircrafts to transport the young women and underage girls to the Virgin Islands for purposes of sexual abuse and exploitation.
- 45. The Epstein Enterprise facilitated and participated in the sexual molestation and exploitation of numerous girls between the age of 12 and 17 years old.
- 46. On the pretext of providing modeling opportunities, careers and contracts, associates of the Epstein Enterprise, funded by the Epstein Enterprise, lured and recruited young women and underage girls to travel to locations including the Virgin Islands where, upon information and belief, based on the pattern and practice of the Epstein Enterprise, they were sexually abused and exploited.

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- 47. Associates in the Epstein Enterprise recruited both victims and abusers into the Epstein Enterprise, participated in sexual acts of rape and abuse of minors and witnessed Epstein and others engage in sexual acts with children.
- 48. As recent as 2018, air traffic controllers and other airport personnel reported seeing Epstein leave his plane with young girls some of whom appeared to be between the age of 11 and 18 years.
- 49. Upon information and belief, based on Epstein's pattern of trafficking and sexually abusing young girls, the Epstein Enterprise trafficked and abused these girls, and others, in the Virgin Islands through 2018.
- 50. When sued in civil court for committing sex trafficking and sex crimes, Epstein never denied engaging in sexual acts with underage females and procuring underage females for prostitution, but instead consistently invoked his Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination.
- 51. Upon information and belief, the Epstein Enterprise kept a computerized list of underage girls who were in or proximate to the Virgin Islands, and able to be transported to Epstein's residence at Little St. James in the Virgin Islands.
- 52. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in a pattern of criminal conduct by trafficking children and young women and placing them in sexual servitude and forced labor in the Virgin Islands. The Epstein Enterprise repeatedly violated 14 V.I.C. §§ 133 to 138, which prohibit trafficking and sexual abuse. The Epstein Enterprise also repeatedly violated laws against child abuse and neglect, including 14 V.I.C. § 505, which defines the crime of child abuse as knowingly or recklessly causing "a child to suffer physical, mental, or emotional injury," or causing a child to be placed in a situation where such injury is foreseeable, and 14 V.I.C. § 506, which applies, as

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here, where the child suffers serious physical, mental, or emotional injury as a result of that abuse.

The harm to Epstein's victims was both fully foreseeable and deeply damaging.

53. The Epstein Enterprise knowingly recruited, transported, transferred, harbored, received, procured, obtained, isolated, maintained, and entired young women and girls to engage in forced labor (such as providing massages) and, ultimately, sexual servitude at his little St. James

residence.

54. A 15 year old victim was forced into sexual acts with Epstein and others and then attempted to escape by swimming off the Little St. James island. Epstein and others organized a search party that located her and kept her captive by, among other things, confiscating her passport.

- 55. Another victim, who was first engaged in provide massages to Epstein, was then forced to perform sexual acts at Little St. James in the Virgin Islands. When she attempted to escape from the "private island," Epstein and a search party found her, returned her to his house, and suggested physical restraint or harm if she failed to cooperate.
- 56. The Epstein Enterprise deceptively lured underage girls and women into its sex trafficking ring with money and promises of employment, career opportunities and school assistance. The Epstein Enterprise preyed on their financial and other vulnerabilities, and promised victims money, shelter, gifts, employment, tuition and other items of value. For example, participants in the Epstein Enterprise targeted young and underage females under the pretext that they would be paid substantially merely to provide massages to him and others. However, once drawn in, victims were then pressured and coerced to engage in sexual acts.
- 57. The Epstein Enterprise forced underage victims to recruit others to perform services and engage in sexual acts—a trafficking pyramid scheme.

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- 58. The Epstein Enterprise paid girls for each "meeting," with additional money if they brought additional girls. Epstein reportedly required three meetings per day.
- 59. The Epstein Enterprise used the term "work" as a code for sexual abuse, and, upon information and belief, reportedly kept computer records of the contact information for the victims.
- 60. Consistent with his creation and use of a complex web of entities to carry out and conceal the criminal trafficking enterprise in the Virgin Islands, the Epstein Enterprise sometimes paid young women and underage girls he exploited and trafficked through his charitable foundations.
- 61. Once the girls and women were recruited, participants in the Epstein Enterprise enforced their sexual servitude of victims by coercion, including but not limited to, confiscating passports, controlling and extinguishing external communications, and threatening violence. They also made fraudulent statements to family members of victims, claiming victims were being well cared for and supported financially in college and other educational opportunities.
- 62. The Epstein Enterprise transported, held, sexually abused, trafficked, and concealed women and children at his property in the Virgin Islands dozens of times over nearly two decades.

# B. The "Epstein Enterprise" Abused Privileges of Residency to Carry out its Criminal Scheme

63. The Epstein Enterprise in 1998 acquired Little St. James in the Virgin Islands as the perfect hideaway and haven for trafficking young women and underage girls for sexual servitude, child abuse and sexual assault. Little St. James is a secluded, private island, nearly two miles from St. Thomas with no other residents. It can be visited only by private boat or helicopter; no public or commercial transportation is available to carry persons on or off the island, and no

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bridge connects the island to St. Thomas. Epstein had easy access to Little St. James from the private airfield on St. Thomas, only 10 minutes away by his private helicopter, but the women and children he trafficked, abused, and held there were not able to leave without his permission and assistance, as it was too far and dangerous to swim to St. Thomas.

- 64. In 2016, upon information and belief, using a straw purchaser to hide Epstein's identity, the Epstein Enterprise acquired Great St. James, the nearest island to Little St. James. By then, Epstein was a convicted sex offender. Upon information and belief, the Epstein Enterprise purchased the island for more than \$20 million because its participants wanted to ensure that the island did not become a base from which others could view their activities or visitors. By acquiring ownership and control of Great St. James to the exclusion of others, the Epstein Enterprise created additional barriers to prevent those held involuntarily on Little St. James from escaping or obtaining help from others.
- 65. Great St. James and Little St. James are environmentally sensitive locations, with native coral and wildlife protected by federal and territorial law and enforcement authorities. The Department of Planning and Natural Resources ("DPNR") regulates and monitors construction in the Coastal Zone to protect, maintain and manage the precious natural resources of the Virgin Islands. Under its authority, DPNR repeatedly issued citations and assessed thousands of dollars of fines for violations of the Virgin Islands construction code and environmental protection laws on both Little St. James and Great St. James—significant penalties to the agency and to the average resident of the Virgin Islands. But because of Epstein's enormous wealth, these fines had little effect in curbing or stopping the Epstein Enterprise's unlawful conduct or conforming its activities to the law.

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- 66. As a result of illegal construction activity of the Epstein Enterprise, the Virgin Islands has incurred, and will incur, significant expenses to remove the illegal construction or remediate its effects on natural resources in and around Little St. James and Great St. James. The extent of the potential environmental damage is unknown at this time as the illegal construction has not been removed or remediated.
- 67. The Epstein Enterprise continues to attempt to prevent or limit DPNR authorities from conducting random inspections on the Little St. James and Great St. James necessary to comply with Virgin Islands law.
- 68. The Epstein Enterprise's violation of the construction and environmental laws was part of a pattern of behavior in flouting the laws of the Virgin Islands and holding itself above the law. Upon information and belief, as described above, the Epstein Enterprise undertook construction at Great St. James after 2016 to continue the scheme to carry out and conceal his trafficking and sexual abuse of young women and children in the Virgin Islands. These actions are also indicative of the Epstein Enterprise's disregard for Virgin Islands' law. The Epstein Enterprise used the Virgin Islands' land, resources, people, and laws for its illicit purposes. Rather than participating lawfully in this community, the Epstein Enterprise took advantage of the secluded nature of the islands in furtherance of its crimes.
- 69. As a result of its deplorable and unlawful conduct, the Epstein Enterprise has subjected the Virgin Islands to public portrayals as a hiding place for human trafficking and sex crimes.

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# C. The "Epstein Enterprise" Fraudulently Concealed its Conduct

70. The Epstein Enterprise fraudulently concealed its actions to prevent detection by the Government of the Virgin Islands.

71. The secluded properties at Little St. James and Great St. James were repeatedly used by the Epstein Enterprise as the locations for unlawfully soliciting, transporting, transferring, harboring, receiving, providing, isolating, patronizing, maintaining, deceiving, coercing, and sexually abusing young women and children and concealing these crimes.

- 72. The Epstein Enterprise was able to hide the trafficking ring from law enforcement, despite the fact that Epstein was a registered sex offender. Given the isolation of the Little St. James and Great St. James and the nature of the crimes and of the victims targeted by the Epstein Enterprise, the activities of the Epstein Enterprise were not readily detectable. Moreover, Epstein's great wealth and power likely made witnesses reluctant to report their observations to the local law enforcement.
- 73. Upon information and belief, the Epstein Enterprise prevented its employees from cooperating with law enforcement. Employees and others were required to sign confidentiality agreements that prohibited them from speaking to or sharing information with law enforcement. If they were contacted by law enforcement they were to notify the Epstein Enterprise and be represented by Epstein's counsel.
- 74. The employees were directed not to communicate or interact with guests visiting Little St. James and were also directed not to disclose to anyone events that occurred on the island.

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- 75. Monitoring a sex offender with his own private islands and the resources to fly victims in and out on private planes and helicopters presented unique challenges and allowed the Epstein Enterprise to limit scrutiny by the Government of the Virgin Islands.
- 76. Sexual Offender Registration and Community Protection Act ("SORCPA") 14 V.I.C. § 1721, et. seq. requires sex offenders registered in the Virgin Islands to make periodic inperson appearances to verify and update their registration information.
- 77. Epstein renewed his registration each year in the Virgin Islands. In addition, beyond this statutory requirement, the Virgin Islands periodically visited—or attempted to visit—Little St. James to conduct additional address verifications.
- 78. At his last verification in July 2018, Epstein refused to permit Virgin Islands Department of Justice Investigators, assisted by United States Marshals, to enter Little St. James beyond its dock, claiming that the dock was his "front door." Instead, Epstein arranged to be met at his office on St. Thomas.
- 79. Epstein also misled the Government regarding his travel plans. On March 19, 2019, the Virgin Islands was notified that Epstein would be traveling to France for 10 days on the private plane owned by Plan D, LLC. His notification form did not disclose travel to any other countries. It was later discovered by law enforcement authorities that Epstein also travelled to Vienna and Monaco during that trip.
- 80. Similarly, the Epstein Enterprise sought to prevent DPNR from conducting routine site visits to inspect unpermitted and potentially damaging construction activity on Great St. James. The Epstein Enterprise repeatedly objected to DPNR's inspections referring to them as "invasions" of Epstein's constitutional right to privacy in his home, which he described defined as the entire island. These DPNR inspections are required for all construction and Virgin Islands residents are

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required to cooperate with the inspections to assure compliance with the law throughout the construction phases.

- 81. These efforts represent Epstein Enterprise's intent to conceal its unlawful activity on Little St. James and Great St. James.
- 82. The Epstein Enterprise also created numerous corporations and limited liability companies in the Virgin Islands to help conceal its unlawful activity. Most of these companies were created in 2011 and 2012, soon after Epstein registered as a sex offender in the Virgin Islands.
- 83. Epstein's pilot, Larry Visoski is identified as member or co-member in companies that serviced and maintained the planes that the Epstein Enterprise used to traffick young women and children Freedom Air Petroleum, LLC (registered November 28, 2011 to hold assets); and JEGE, LLC (registered October 19, 2012 to hold assets).
- 84. Other Epstein entities include LSJ Employees, LLC (registered October 27, 2011 to provide services); Southern Financial, LLC (registered February 25, 2013 to provide services) and LSJ Emergency, LLC (registered December 2, 2015 to provide services).
- 85. Some of these companies held considerable assets: Financial Informatics, Inc. (incorporated November 18, 2011, also known as Southern Trust Company, Inc.) had assets of approximately \$391 million in 2015; and Financial Trust Company, Inc. (incorporated November 6, 1998) had assets of \$212 million when it publicly filed its last balance sheet in 2012.
- 86. Though often absent in the original incorporation or registration documents or annual filings, Epstein ultimately appeared as president, director, manager, or sole member of each of these companies. Upon information and belief, the purpose of this complex array of corporate entities—some of which may still be discovered—was to allow Epstein to shelter his assets in order to fund, carry out, and conceal his identity and pattern of criminal conduct.

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87. The Estate continues to engage in a course of conduct aimed at concealing the criminal activities of the Epstein Enterprise. On November 24, 2019, Epstein's Estate filed an Expedited Motion for Establishment of a Voluntary Claims Resolution Program in the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands. ("Motion"). According to the Motion, the proposed program was to be designed to "establish an independent and voluntary claims resolution program for purposes of resolving sexual abuse claims against Jeffrey E. Epstein." (Motion, at 1).

- 88. The program proposed by the Estate, whose executors are trustees of The 1953 Trust and officers in at least two Epstein entities, imposes confidentiality requirements and requires any claimant accepting an award under the program to sacrifice any other claims against "any person or entity arising from or related to Mr. Epstein's conduct." (Motion, at 5). It acts to conceal the criminal activities of the Epstein Enterprise and shield its participants from liability and accountability for the injury they caused to the victims.
- 89. Two days before his death, Epstein amended The Trust and his Last Will and Testament. Upon information and belief, he did so, as part of a pattern and ongoing effort to conceal and shield his assets from potential recovery by claimants.

# D. The "Epstein Enterprise" Violated Numerous Virgin Islands Laws

- 90. The pattern of criminal activity engaged in by Epstein and other participants in the Epstein Enterprise violated 14 V.I.C. §§ 605 and 607 of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO").
- 91. The Epstein Enterprise also violated Title 14, Chapter 3A, The Virgin Islands Uniform Prevention of and Remedies for Human Trafficking Act relating to Trafficking of Persons; Title 14, Chapter 24, relating to Child Protection and Child Abuse and Neglect; Title 14,

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Chapter 81, relating to Prostitution and Related Offenses; Title 18, Chapter 85, relating to Rape and Sexual Assault and other related offenses, as well as other Virgin Islands laws.

- 92. The Epstein Enterprise violated Virgin Islands laws by engaging in the human trafficking of underage girls and young women and commercial sex with young women and underage girls by force, fraud, enticement, or coercion, which serve as predicates to the Epstein Enterprise's violations of CICO.
- 93. Certain participants who recruited young women and underage girls to be trafficked and forced into sexual servitude themselves were sexually trafficked and abused by the Epstein Enterprise and may be afforded the protections of 14 V.I.C. § 145.
- 94. Specifically, Plan D, LLC knowingly and intentionally facilitated the trafficking scheme by flying underage girls and young women into the Virgin Islands to be delivered into sexual servitude. Plan D, LLC repeatedly made flights from the mainland to St. Thomas with Epstein and underage girls and young women for the purpose of engaging in sexual activity on Little St. James. On some occasions, they would transport Epstein and female children by helicopter to Little St. James. On other occasions, Epstein and the young women and girls would be transported by boat.
- 95. Great St. Jim, LLC and Nautilus, Inc. knowingly participated in the Epstein Enterprise and facilitated the trafficking and sexual servitude of young women and underage girls by providing the secluded properties at, from, or to which Epstein and his associates were able to transport, transfer, receive, maintain, isolate, harbor, provide, entice, deceive, coerce, and sexually abuse underage girls and young women.
  - 96. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in a continuing course of unlawful conduct.

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- 97. After Epstein's suicide, the Epstein Enterprise continued to exist as each of the participants continued to conspire to prevent detection of the breadth and scope of the Epstein Enterprise's criminal wrongdoing and to prevent accountability. These conspiratorial acts are ongoing.
- 98. The conduct of the Epstein Enterprise offends the core purpose of the Virgin Islands Uniform Prevention of and Remedies for Human Trafficking Act, 14 V.I.C. §131 et seq, and violates CICO, enacted to "curtail criminal activity and lessen its economic and political power in the Territory of the Virgin Islands by establishing new penal prohibitions and providing to law enforcement and the victims of criminal activity new civil sanctions and remedies." 14 V.I.C. § 601.
- 99. The Epstein Enterprise is an illicit enterprise within the meaning of 14 V.I.C. §§ 604 and 605.
- and to extinguish and recoup from the Epstein Enterprise any and all financial and other benefits, and any personal and real property that was used during the course of, or intended for use in the course of the conduct or criminal activity in violation of the laws of the Virgin Islands. The Government is entitled to obtain through divestiture, forfeiture, or other equitable relief all properties and instrumentalities used by the Epstein Enterprise in the criminal pattern of trafficking and sexual abuse in the Virgin Islands, including but not limited to, Great St. James and Little St. James, and all other remedies and penalties permitted by law in the interest of justice.

#### **COUNT ONE**

# Human Trafficking – Trafficking an Individual Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; and 14 V.I.C §133

- 101. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1 to 100 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 102. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 103. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, knowingly recruiting, transporting, transferring, harboring, receiving, providing, obtaining, isolating, maintaining, or enticing female children and young women in the furtherance and performance of forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity in violation of Virgin Islands laws codified in 14 V.I.C. §§ 133-138.
- 104. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 105. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 106. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

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#### **COUNT TWO**

## Human Trafficking – Trafficking an Individual Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq. and 14 V.I.C §133

- 107. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-106 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 108. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting human trafficking.
- 109. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy by recruiting, transporting, transferring, harboring, receiving, providing, obtaining, isolating, maintaining or enticing female children and young women in the furtherance and performance of forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity in violation of Virgin Islands laws codified in 14 V.I.C. § 133 -138.
- 110. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- 111. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).
- 112. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

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#### **COUNT THREE**

### Human Trafficking – Forced Labor Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; and 14 V.I.C §134

- 113. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-112 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein,
- 114. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 115. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, knowingly using coercion to compel underage girls and young women to provide labor or services by forced labor in violation of 14 V.I.C. § 134.
- 116. The Epstein Enterprise knowingly provided or obtained the labor services of individuals by means of force, threats of force, physical restraint, and/or threats of physical restraint; by means of serious harm or threats of serious harm; by means of abuse or threatened abuse of law or legal processes; and by means of the Epstein Enterprise with the intent to cause individuals to believe that, if individuals did not perform such labor or services, individuals would suffer serious harm or physical restraint.
- 117. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 118. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 119. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.

120. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT FOUR**

### Human Trafficking – Forced Labor Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; and 14 V.I.C §134

- 121. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-120 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 122. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting human trafficking.
- 123. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy by knowingly using coercion to compel underage girls and young women to provide labor or services by forced labor in violation of 14 V.I.C. § 134.
- 124. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- 125. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).

126. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT FIVE**

### Human Trafficking – Sexual Servitude Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §135

- 127. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-126 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 128. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 129. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, knowingly maintaining or making available minors for the purpose of engaging the minors in commercial sexual activities or using coercion or deception to force young women to engage in commercial sexual activity in violation of 14 V.I.C. § 135.
- Defendants facilitated the transporting or recruiting of young women and girls or lured and recruited young women and underage girls to travel to the Virgin Islands where they engaged in sexual acts with Epstein and others. In some instances, young women and underage girls were given scholarships, money, gifts or other items of value in exchange for engaging in sexual acts with Epstein and others.
- 131. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.

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- 132. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 133. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 134. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT SIX**

## Human Trafficking – Sexual Servitude Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §135

- 135. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-134 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 136. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting human trafficking.
- 137. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join the criminal conspiracy by knowingly maintaining or making available minors for the purpose of engaging the minors in commercial sexual activities or using coercion or deception to force young women to engage in commercial sexual activity in violation of 14 V.I.C. § 135.
- 138. On the pretext of providing modeling opportunities, careers and contracts, Defendants facilitated the transporting or recruiting of young women and girls or lured and recruited young women and underage girls to travel to the Virgin Islands where they engaged in sexual acts with Epstein and others. In some instances, young women and underage girls were

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given scholarships, money, gifts or other items of value in exchange for engaging in sexual acts

with Epstein and others.

139. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial

value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced

labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or

reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

140. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other

Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking,

forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).

141. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity

that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO.

14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

**COUNT SEVEN** 

Human Trafficking – Patronizing Minors and Victims of Sexual Servitude Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §§ 136-37

142. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-141 of this Complaint as if

fully set forth herein.

143. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in

or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.

144. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that

constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, knowingly

giving, agreeing to give, or offering to give items of value to young women and minors so that the

young women and minors would engage in commercial sexual activity with Epstein, other Defendants, and other individuals in violation of 14 V.I.C. §§ 136-137.

- 145. In some instances, young women and underage girls were given scholarships, money, gifts or other items of value in exchange for engaging in sexual acts with Epstein and others.
- 146. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 147. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 148. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 149. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT EIGHT**

Human Trafficking – Patronizing Minors and Victims of Sexual Servitude Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §§ 136-37

- 150. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-149 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 151. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting human trafficking.

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152. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the

criminal conspiracy by knowingly giving, agreeing to give, or offering to give items of value to

young women and minors so that the young women and minors would engage in commercial

sexual activity with Epstein, other Defendants, and other individuals in violation of 14 V.I.C. §§

136-137.

153. In some instances, young women and underage girls were given scholarships,

money, gifts or other items of value in exchange for engaging in sexual acts with Epstein and

others.

154. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial

value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced

labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or

reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

155. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other

Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise; human trafficking,

forced labor, and sexual servitude.

156. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in said pattern of criminal activity

that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO

14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

**COUNT NINE** 

Child Abuse and Neglect

Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("CICO"),

14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §§ 505, 506 and 507

157. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-156 of this Complaint as if

fully set forth herein.

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At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in 158.

or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.

The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that 159.

constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, knowingly or

recklessly causing a child to suffer physical, mental or emotional injury, or knowingly or recklessly

causing a child to be placed in a situation where it is reasonably foreseeable that such child may

suffer physical, mental or emotional injury, in violation Virgin Islands criminal laws prohibiting

Child Abuse and Neglect in Title 14 V.I.C. § 500 et. seq.

As a result of the Epstein Enterprise's actions numerous young girls suffered 160.

serious physical, mental and emotional injury.

Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly 161.

or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.

Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity 162.

conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.

At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity 163.

that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO.

14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

**COUNT TEN** 

Child Abuse and Neglect

Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act,

14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §§ 505, 506 and 507

The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-163 of this Complaint as if 164.

fully set forth herein.

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- 165. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting child abuse and neglect.
- 166. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy as they knowingly or recklessly caused a child to suffer physical, mental or emotional injury, or knowingly or recklessly caused a child to be placed in a situation where it is reasonably foreseeable that such child may suffer physical, mental or emotional injury, in violation Virgin Islands criminal laws prohibiting Child Abuse and Neglect in Title 14 V.I.C. § 500 et seq.
- 167. As a result of Defendants' actions, numerous young girls suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 168. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- 169. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).
- 170. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

# COUNT ELEVEN

#### **Aggravated Rape**

# Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C § 1700a

- 171. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-170 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 172. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 173. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, conduct that constituted or facilitated the rape of minors by force, intimidation, or the perpetrator's position of authority over the victim.
- 174. Epstein and others, using force or intimidation, engaged in sexual intercourse with underage girls without their consent in violation of 14 V.I.C. § 1700a.
- 175. As a result of the Epstein Enterprise's actions, numerous underage girls suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 176. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 177. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 178. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

### COUNT TWELVE

#### Aggravated Rape

# Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C § 1700a

- 179. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-178 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 180. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting aggravated rape.
- 181. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy by engaging in conduct that constituted or facilitated the rape of minors by force, intimidation, or the perpetrator's position of authority over the victim.
- 182. Epstein and others, using force or intimidation, engaged in sexual intercourse with underage girls without their consent in violation of 14 V.I.C. § 1700a.
- 183. As a result of Defendants' actions, numerous underage girls suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 184. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- 185. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).

186. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

# COUNT THIRTEEN Rape in the Second Degree Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C § 1702

- 187. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1- 186 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 188. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 189. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, conduct that constituted or facilitated the rape of girls under 18 years of age.
- 190. Epstein and others who engaged in rape were over 18 years old at the time of the incidents.
- 191. As a result of the Epstein Enterprise's actions, numerous minors suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 192. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 193. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.

194. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

# COUNT FOURTEEN Rape in the Second Degree

Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C § 1702

- 195. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1-194 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 196. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting rape in the second degree.
- 197. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy by engaging in conduct that constituted or facilitated the rape of girls under 18 years of age.
- 198. Epstein and others who engaged in rape were over 18 years old at the time of the incidents.
- 199. As a result of Defendants' actions, numerous minors suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 200. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

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- 201. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).
- 202. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### COUNT FIFTEEN

Unlawful Sexual Contact in the First or Second Degree Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §§ 1708 and 1709

- 203. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1- 202 of this Complaint as if as if fully set forth herein.
- 204. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 205. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to, using or facilitating the use of force or coercion to accomplish sexual contact or engaging in sexual contact with a minor between 13 and 16 years of age.
- 206. Epstein and others who engaged in the sexual contact were over 18 years old at the time of the incidents.
- 207. As a result of the Epstein Enterprise's actions numerous young women and minors suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 208. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.

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- 209. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 210. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT SIXTEEN**

Unlawful Sexual Contact in the First or Second Degree Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.; 14 V.I.C §§ 1708 and 1709

- 211. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1 210 of this Complaint as if as if fully set forth herein.
- 212. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to violate laws prohibiting unlawful sexual contact.
- 213. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy by using or facilitating the use of force or coercion to accomplish sexual contact or engaging in sexual contact with a minor between 13 and 16 years of age.
- 214. Epstein and others who engaged in the sexual contact were over 18 years old at the time of the incidents.
- 215. As a result of Defendants' actions, numerous young women and minors suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 216. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of minor girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

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- 217. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).
- 218. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT SEVENTEEN**

Prostitution and Keeping House of Prostitution
Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"),
14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.: 14 V.I.C. §§ 1622, 1624

- 219. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1 218 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 220. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 221. The Epstein Enterprise engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including the engaging in or facilitating the knowing and/or reckless abuse of minors through the acts alleged herein.
- 222. The Epstein Enterprise knowingly persuaded, induced, enticed, and/or coerced young women and children to travel to the Virgin Islands to engage in prostitution and/or sexual activity, and/or attempted to do the same.
- 223. The Epstein Enterprise kept, maintained, and/or permitted his property at Little St. James to be used for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness or assignation with knowledge or reasonable cause to know the same.

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- 224. The Epstein Enterprise received or offered or agreed to receive women and children at his property at Little St. James for the purposes of prostitution, lewdness or assignation, and/or permitted young women and children to remain there for such purposes.
- 225. The Epstein Enterprise directed, took, transported, and or offered or agreed to take or transport young women and children to Little St. James with the knowledge or reasonable cause to know that the purpose of such directing, taking or transporting was prostitution, lewdness or assignation.
- 226. The Epstein Enterprise knew or should reasonably have known that some of the individuals that were the subjects of the actions described in this Count were minors.
- 227. As a result of Defendants' actions, numerous young women and minors suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.
- 228. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 229. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 230. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

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#### **COUNT EIGHTEEN**

Prostitution and Keeping House of Prostitution
Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act,
14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.: 14 V.I.C. §§ 1622, 1624.

- 231. The Government restates and realleges paragraph 1 230 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 232. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined a conspiracy to laws against prostitution.
- 233. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy by engaging in or facilitating the persuasion, inducement, enticement or coercion of young women and children to travel to the Virgin Islands to engage in prostitution and/or sexual activity, and/or attempted to do the same; keeping, maintaining, and/or permitting Epstein's property at Little St. James, to be used for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness or assignation with knowledge or reasonable cause to know the same; receiving, offering, or agreeing to receive individuals at his property at Little St. James for the purposes of prostitution, lewdness or assignation, and/or permitted young women and children to remain there for such purposes; and directing, taking, transporting, and/or offering or agreeing to take or transport young women and children to Little St. James with the knowledge or reasonable cause to know that the purpose of such directing, taking or transporting was prostitution, lewdness or assignation, in violation of 14 V.I.C. §§ 1622 and 1624.
- 234. Defendants knew or should reasonably have known that some of the individuals that were the subjects of the actions described in this Count were minors.
- 235. As a result of Defendants' actions numerous young women and minors suffered serious physical, mental and emotional injury.

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- 236. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- 237. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).
- 238. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

## COUNT NINETEEN Sex Offender Registry

Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.: 14 V.I.C. § 1721 et seq.

- 239. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1- 238 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 240. Epstein was required to, and did, register under the Virgin Islands Sexual Offender Registration and Community Protection Act ("SORCPA") codified at 14 V.I.C. § 1721 et seq.
- 241. SORCPA requires registered offenders to provide information relating to intended travel in foreign commerce.
- 242. On at least two occasions, Epstein traveled to Vienna and Monaco without disclosing that travel to the Virgin Islands sex offender registry.
- 243. Epstein's failure to disclose this travel before, during, or even after his travel was knowing.

244. Epstein's violation SORPCA was part of a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).

### COUNT TWENTY

### Fraudulent Conveyance

Violation of the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("CICO"), 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.: 14 V.I.C. §§ 832-833

- 245. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1- 244 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 246. At all times material herein, each Defendant directly and indirectly participated in or associated with the Epstein Enterprise, an illicit enterprise.
- 247. Each Defendant engaged in two or more occasions of conduct that constitutes criminal predicate acts as defined by CICO, including, but not limited to transferring assets to and between various entities controlled by Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise to avoid, defeat, hinder or delay claims against them.
- 248. Upon information and belief, in an effort to defeat the claims of creditors and avoid the oversight of the court probating his estate, Epstein, days before his death, transferred significant assets, including assets held by other Defendants, into The 1953 Trust.
- 249. At the time of these transfers, Epstein had numerous actions pending against him related to his trafficking and sexual assaults seeking financial judgments.
- 250. Through these transfers, Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise fraudulently removed property and effects beyond the jurisdiction of the probate court.
- 251. Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise were parties to the fraudulent conveyance of the property, real or personal, and/or the interests or rights arising out of property, contracts, or conveyances of Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise.

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- 252. Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise acted with the intent to defeat, hinder, or delay creditors and claimants, including the Government of the Virgin Islands, in collecting on their judgements, debts and demands.
- 253. Defendants through a pattern of criminal activity acquired and maintained, directly or indirectly, an interest in or control of the Epstein Enterprise or real property.
- 254. Defendants benefited, directly and indirectly, from the pattern of criminal activity conducted by the Epstein Enterprise.
- 255. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

#### **COUNT TWENTY-ONE**

### Fraudulent Conveyance

Conspiracy to Violate the Criminally Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 14 V.I.C. § 600 et seq.: 14 V.I.C. § 832-833

- 256. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1 to 255 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 257. At all times material herein, each Defendant joined in a conspiracy to commit fraudulent conveyances.
- 258. Each Defendant engaged in acts that revealed its intent to join and participate in the criminal conspiracy, including, but not limited to, transferring assets to and between various entities controlled by Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise to avoid, defeat, hinder or delay claims against them.

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- 259. Upon information and belief, in an effort to defeat the claims of creditors and avoid the oversight of the court probating his estate, Epstein, days before his death, transferred significant assets, including assets held by other Defendants, into The 1953 Trust.
- 260. At the time of this transfer, Epstein had numerous actions pending against him related to his trafficking and sexual assaults seeking financial judgments.
- 261. Through this transfer, Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise fraudulently removed property and effects beyond the jurisdiction of the probate court.
- 262. Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise were parties to the fraudulent conveyance of the property, real or personal, and/or the interests or rights arising out of property, contracts, or conveyances of Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise.
- 263. Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise acted with the intent to defeat, hinder, or delay the Government of the Virgin Islands and other creditors and claimants to collect on their judgements, debts and demands.
- 264. Defendants knowingly benefited financially and/or obtained other non-financial value from participation in the Epstein Enterprise, which has engaged in human trafficking, forced labor, sexual servitude and commercial sexual activity of girls and young women in knowing or reckless disregard of the laws of the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- 265. At all times material herein, each Defendant conspired with Epstein and other Defendants to fulfill the primary criminal purposes of the Epstein Enterprise: human trafficking, forced labor, and sexual servitude. 14 V.I.C. §604(j).
- 266. At all times material herein, Defendants engaged in a pattern of criminal activity that was not isolated but was related to the affairs of the Epstein Enterprise in violation of CICO. 14 V.I.C. §600 et seq.

# COUNT TWENTY-TWO Civil Conspiracy

- 267. The Government restates and realleges paragraphs 1 266 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 268. Defendants acted in concert and joined with others to perform the wrongful acts identified in Counts 1 to 13, among others, concealing the sexual abuse of minor females by unlawful means.
- 269. Each co-conspirator knew, or in the exercise of reasonable care should have known, about the conduct of the others and about the common unlawful scheme.
- 270. These unlawful acts could not have been carried to the length and extent accomplished without the common understanding shared by Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise Defendants.
- 271. Each of the Defendants had a duty to report, stop or terminate the wrongful conduct, but instead each Defendant concealed, assisted and furthered the wrongful acts by use of civil conspiracy.
- 272. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conspiracy, the Virgin Island has been injured.
  - 273. Each co-conspirator is jointly and severally liable for the acts alleged herein.

### Notice of Allegation of PUNITIVE DAMAGES

- 274. The purpose of punitive damages in the common law is to punish the defendant for outrageous conduct that is reckless or intentional and to deter others from engaging in such conduct in the future.
- 275. This Complaint describes intentional conduct so egregious, persistent, and injurious that it shocks the conscience and offends a civilized society.
- 276. Punitive damages are especially important in the case of persons or companies that have money, assets, and power that mere fines, penalties, and economic damages are simply not sufficient.
- 277. At all times material herein, Epstein and the Epstein Enterprise engaged repeatedly in wrongful acts which were intentional and outrageous. The Government gives notice that it intends to pursue the possibility of punitive damages in any jury verdict.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Government respectfully requests that the Court:

- A. Enter a judgment in favor of the Government and against Defendants on all counts;
- B. Declare that Defendants, through the Epstein Enterprise, have engaged in a pattern of criminal activity in the Virgin Islands including but not limited to human trafficking, forced labor and sexual servitude of female children and young women, unlawful sexual contact, child sexual abuse, child abuse and neglect, rape, prostitution and other offenses related offenses, and civil conspiracy.;

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- C. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 610, enforce and maintain the criminal activity liens the Government is filing contemporaneously with this lawsuit, or shall file in connection with this action;
- D. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607(a)(1) and 14 V.I.C. § 141, issue an order forfeiting and divesting in favor of the Government of the Virgin Islands all of Defendants' interests in any real and personal property within the territory of the U.S. Virgin Islands used to facilitate the criminal enterprise carried out by the Epstein Enterprise, including but not limited to Little St. James Island and Greater St. James Island.
- E. Issue an order forfeiting to the Government of the Virgin Islands any proceeds or funds obtained by Defendants, whether directly or indirectly, during the course of the criminal activity of the Epstein Enterprise;
- F. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607(a)(1), require Defendants to divest themselves of any real property or other interests in favor of the Government of the Virgin Islands used to further the goals of the Epstein Enterprise;
- G. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607(a)(3) and (5), order the dissolution of the Epstein Enterprise, including but not limited to, order the dissolution of the corporate Defendants;
- H. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607(a)(2) enter an injunction to prevent the further criminal conduct, and concealment of the criminal conduct, by the Epstein Enterprise;
- I. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607(a)(4), order the revocation of any and all licenses, permits and approvals that had been granted by any agency of the Territory, and require the repayment of any tax benefits that had been bestowed on any Defendant;
- J. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607(a)(6)(e), award the Government the maximum civil penalty for each and every violation of law committed by the Epstein Enterprise;

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- K. Pursuant to 14 V.I.C. § 607, award treble damages and all other available remedies, including attorneys' fees and costs;
  - L. Award compensatory and punitive damages for Defendants' civil conspiracy;
  - M. Void the transfer of assets as fraudulently conveyed to the The 1953 Trust;
- N. Award such equitable relief, including disgorgement of all ill-gotten gains, as may be just and proper and appropriate, pursuant to 14 14 V.I.C. § 608(c)(4), to protect the rights of victims and innocent persons in the interest of justice and consistent with the purposes of CICO;
- O. Assess and award a judgment in favor of the Government and against the Defendants for attorneys' fees and costs and pre- and post-judgment interest; and
  - P. Award any and all other relief this Court deems appropriate.

The Government demands a jury trial on all issues so triable.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Dated: January 15, 2020

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