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9 10	NORTHERN DISTRIC	CT OF CALIFORNIA	
10	JANE DOE, individually and on behalf of all	Case No.: 3:23-cv-00501	
11	others similarly situated,		
12	Plaintiff,	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT	
14	v.	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED	
15	GOODRX HOLDINGS, INC., CRITEO		
16	CORP., META PLATFORMS, INC., AND GOOGLE LLC.		
17	Defendants.		
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20		ly and on behalf of all others similarly situated,	
21	asserts the following against Defendants GoodRx Holdings, Inc. ("GoodRx"), Criteo Corp.		
22	("Criteo"), Meta Platforms, Inc. (f/k/a Facebook, Inc.) ("Meta"), and Google, LLC ("Google") based upon personal knowledge, where applicable, information and belief, and the investigation of		
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24		ALLEGATIONS	
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26 27	1. Founded in 2011, GoodRx is a combination telehealth and prescription coupon company. GoodRx claims that its mission is to "build better ways for people to find the right care		
27 28	at the best price." In 2021, GoodRx brought in mo		
28	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT A		

CoodRx's services are available through both the GoodRx website available at
 www.goodrx.com and the GoodRx mobile application (the "GoodRx Platform"). The GoodRx
 mobile application is advertised as the "#1 most downloaded medical app on the iTunes [Apple] and
 Google Play app stores." Approximately 20 million people use GoodRx's services each month.

3. GoodRx allows consumers to save money on prescription drugs by gathering
current prices and discounts, as well as by offering prescription coupons. To access prescription
discounts, a user enters the medication name and then selects a local pharmacy. They can also text,
email, or print a copy of a "GoodRx Coupon" to present at the pharmacy when picking up their
prescription. When the prescription is purchased using a GoodRx Coupon, GoodRx obtains a record
of this purchase that includes the user's name, date of birth, and prescription information.

4. Users can sign up for an account with GoodRx by providing their first and last
name, email address, and date of birth. They can also obtain a "GoodRx Prescription Savings Card"
to obtain "discounts of up to 80% on most prescription drugs at over 70,000 U.S. pharmacies." To
receive this card users are required to provide their first and last name, address, and email.

15 5. GoodRx also offers telehealth services under the brand "HeyDoctor" and 16 GoodRx Care." To access these services a user is prompted to provide their personally identifiable 17 information ("PII"), including their first and last name, email address, phone number, biological 18 sex, and current address. The user must then select the type of treatment they are seeking, such as 19 urinary tract infection, erectile dysfunction, anxiety, depression, acne treatment, birth control, or 20 short-term medication refills. Depending on the treatment or the prescription sought, a user is 21 required to either complete an online consultation and enter information about their symptoms and 22 medication history or schedule a visit with a provider. They must also provide payment information.

- 6. Additionally, GoodRx offers "GoodRx Gold" which is a monthly "healthcare
  membership." Using this membership, GoodRx claims users can access over 1,000 prescriptions at
  less than \$10 and arrange visits with "licensed healthcare provider[s]" at just \$19. GoodRx Gold
  users can also use this service to track their medication purchase history, including the medication
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1 name, purchase date, dosage, pharmacy, and prescriber.

2 7. Lastly, GoodRx operates under the brand "GoodRx Health," which allows users to
3 access a number of informational resources about health conditions and treatments. For instance,
4 users can select "How to Get Rid of a Urinary Tract Infection (UTI) Fast" written by Alice
5 Perlowski, MD, MA, FACC.

6 8. GoodRx has long claimed that it values users' privacy and that it does not disclose
7 or share the information it collects, including health information entered through the GoodRx
8 Platform.

9 9. For instance, on December 14, 2019, GoodRx's co-CEO Doug Hirsch tweeted
10 "People can use GoodRx without giving us any information. Any information we do receive is
11 stored under the *same guidelines as any health entity*."

12 10. Health entities are regulated under the Health Insurance Portability and
13 Accountability Act ("HIPPA"), which restricts the use of personal health information and electronic
14 personal health information. Among other things, it requires the user's authorized consent in writing
15 before an entity can share this information with third parties. GoodRx's HeyDoctor homepage
16 displayed a HIPPA seal, purportedly repeating these sentiments that it complied with HIPPA.

17 11. Hirsch further explained in another tweet that same day "I think it's important to
18 mention that we started GoodRx to help Americans, *not gather data or exploit anyone*" and in
19 another that GoodRx "spend[s] tons of time, energy and resources to protect the limited data we do
20 have. You're right to be focused on this . . . and so are we."

21 12. GoodRx's own policies repeat the same promises about safeguarding users' data.
 22 Between October 2017 and March 2019, GoodRx's privacy policy stated expressly that "we never
 23 provide advertisers or any other third parties any *information that reveals a personal health* 24 *condition or personal health information*."

25 13. Between October 2017 and December 2019, GoodRx promised that it would only
26 use "personal medical data" such as prescription drug information in "limited cases" as necessary

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1 to fulfill the user's request. For instance, to text or email GoodRx coupons.

14. Between October 2017 and October 2019, it promised that when this information
was shared in this limited capacity, it "ensures that these third parties are bound to comply with
federal standards as to how to treat 'medical data' that is linked with your name, contact information
and other personal identifiers."

6 15. And in March of 2019, GoodRx promised that it adheres to the Digital Advertising
7 Alliance principles. These principles state that entities "should not collect and use . . .
8 pharmaceutical prescriptions, or medical records about a specific individual for Online Behavioral
9 Advertising without Consent."

- 10 16. Given the nature of this information shared through the GoodRx Platform and
   11 GoodRx's representations, Plaintiff and Class members believed their personal information,
   12 including health information relating to their medical conditions, symptoms, and prescriptions,
   13 would not be shared or disclosed.
- 14 17. Unbeknownst to Plaintiff and Class members, this sensitive personal information
  15 communicated through the GoodRx Platform, including health information relating to medical
  16 treatments and prescriptions, was disclosed to and intercepted by some of the largest advertising and
  17 social media companies in the country, including Google, Meta, and Criteo ("Advertising and
  18 Analytics Defendants").

19 18. Through Advertising and Analytics Defendants' tracking technology incorporated
20 on the GoodRx Platform, including software development kits ("SDK") and tracking pixels,
21 Defendants Google, Meta, and Criteo knowingly and intentionally intercepted Plaintiff and Class
22 members' personal information, including health information relating to their medical conditions,
23 symptoms, and prescriptions, communicated through the GoodRx Platform.

- 24 19. This information was not aggregated or deidentified nor were the Advertising and
  25 Analytics Defendants prohibited from using this information for their own benefit. Defendants
  26 Google, Meta, and Criteo used this information for their own purposes, including to allow GoodRx
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1 to advertise on their platforms using GoodRx users' health data. 2 20. Plaintiff Jane Doe provided her personal information, including health data relating 3 to her medical condition and medication history to GoodRx with the expectation that this 4 information would remain confidential and private. 5 21. Defendants' interception of this information without consent constitutes an extreme 6 invasion of Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy. Given the secret and undisclosed nature of 7 Defendants' conduct, additional evidence supporting Plaintiff's claims, including the full extent of 8 medical information Defendants intercepted, and how they used that information, will be revealed 9 in discovery. PARTIES 10 Plaintiff A. 11 12 22. Plaintiff Jane Doe is a resident of Palm Beach County, Florida. 13 23. Plaintiff used the GoodRx platform on multiple occasions, including in August of 2022 to obtain medical treatment and a prescription for a urinary tract infection. 14 15 24. During the time Plaintiff used the GoodRx Platform, she maintained social media accounts with Facebook and Instagram, and multiple accounts with Google, including Gmail, 16 Google Maps, and YouTube. Plaintiff used the same device to access the GoodRx Platform that she 17 18 used to access her accounts with Facebook, Instagram, Google Maps, and YouTube. 19 25. To obtain treatment and a prescription for a urinary tract infection through GoodRx, 20 Plaintiff was required to enter her name, email address, phone number, biological sex, address, and payment information. She was also required to complete an online consultation, in which she 21 22 communicated to GoodRx information about her symptoms and medication history. She paid for 23 these services and received a prescription for an antibiotic through GoodRx. 26. Unbeknownst to Plaintiff, Defendant GoodRx disclosed and the Advertising and 24 25 Analytics Defendants intercepted this information, including her PII, health data, prescription requests, and other activity across the GoodRx Platform. 26 27 5 28 CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

- 27. Plaintiff Jane Doe did not consent to the sharing and interception of her data, or the
   use of this information by Defendants.
  - B. Defendants

28. Defendant GoodRx Holdings, Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal
place of business located in Santa Monica, California.

6 29. GoodRx knowingly and intentionally incorporated a host of tracking technology for
7 marketing, advertising, and analytics purposes on the GoodRx Platform without disclosure to its
8 users, including at least SDKs and tracking pixels provided by the Advertising and Analytics
9 Defendants.

30. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants developed each of these tracking
technologies for the express purpose of collecting data from users for, among other things,
marketing, analytics, and advertising purposes.

31. GoodRx knew at the time it incorporated these software into the GoodRx Platform that it would result in the disclosure and interception of users' interactions on the GoodRx Platform, including PII, health information, prescription requests, and other identifiable information, by virtue of how these technologies function and the analytics and insights they received as a result. For example, Meta allows website and app developers, like GoodRx, to use the Meta Pixel and its SDK with access to the data collected from their users and provides them with tools and analytics to leverage that information to reach these individuals through Facebook ads.

32. Indeed, GoodRx served targeted advertisements to users using the sensitive data
disclosed to and intercepted by the Advertising and Analytics Defendants between at least August
2017 and February 2020. Accordingly, it was well aware of the data it disclosed and allowed the
Advertising and Analytics Defendants to intercept.

33. Despite this, GoodRx continued to incorporate the Advertising and Analytics
Defendants' technologies into the GoodRx Platform and reap their benefit, including by increasing
its overall revenue through advertisements and by improving the GoodRx Platform. As such,

1 GoodRx's conduct was intentional despite knowing the privacy violations it caused to Plaintiff and 2 Class members.

3 34. Defendant Meta Platforms, Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located in Menlo Park, California. 4

5 35. Meta at all times knew that the incorporation of its software into the GoodRx 6 Platform would result in its interception of identifiable health information and other sensitive data.

7 36. Meta, as the creator of its SDK and Meta Pixel, knew that it intercepted each of a 8 user's interactions on the website or mobile application that incorporated this technology.

9 37. Meta has consistently come under scrutiny for incorporating its technology on 10 websites and applications that involve the transmittal of sensitive data, including health information, vet continues to do so. 11

12 38. For instance, in February 2019, the Wall Street Journal published an in-depth 13 analysis of Meta's collection of sensitive health information using its tracking technology from certain mobile applications. These reports led to a subsequent investigation by the Federal Trade 14 15 Commission, which confirmed that Meta did in fact collect sensitive health information from a popular women's health app, including pregnancy data, between June 2016 and February 2019. It 16 also confirmed that Meta went on to use this information for its own research and development. The 17 18 New York State Department of Financial Services conducted a similar investigation of Meta and 19 reached a similar conclusion, including finding that Meta did not take sufficient steps or precautions 20 to prevent its interception of this kind of information or its use for commercial purposes.

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39. Further, since at least 2016, Meta has allowed granular ad targeting based on 22 sensitive information collected or received about individuals, including relating to at least breast 23 feeding, ethnicities, religious beliefs, and income levels.

24 40. Despite this, it was not until November 9, 2021 that Meta acknowledged its use of 25 data to target users based on "sensitive" topics, including "health" and how that was problematic. 26 While Meta stated that it would remove this functionality in part, it later clarified that the change

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1 was limited to individuals' interactions with "content" on the Facebook platform (i.e., the "Detailed 2 Targeting" option on Facebook) and *did not apply to* data intercepted through Meta Pixel or SDK or collected through other means. Thus, third parties were still permitted to use "website custom 3 audiences" and "lookalike" audiences to target users based on the information Meta intercepted 4 5 through Meta Pixel and its SDK.

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Further, Meta has acknowledged its interception of sensitive data, including health 41. 7 information, in public statements highlighting its efforts to develop a "Health Terms Integrity 8 System" intended to filter out this type of information and prevent it from entering Meta's system.

9 42. However, independent investigations have confirmed these data filtration systems 10 are not successful at preventing the interception of health data. For instance, researchers at The 11 *Markup* found while investigating the use of Meta Pixel on abortion-related websites that Meta's 12 purported "filtering" system failed to discard even the most obvious forms of sexual health 13 information, including URLs that included the phrases "post-abortion", "i-think-im-pregnant" and "abortion-pill." 14

43. 15 Meta's own employees have confirmed the same, admitting that Meta lacks the ability to prevent the collection of sensitive health data or its use in ads. For example, Meta engineers 16 17 on the ad and business product team wrote in a 2021 privacy overview "We do not have an adequate 18 level of control and explainability over how our systems use data, and thus we can't confidently 19 make controlled policy changes or external commitments such as 'we will not use X data for Y 20 purpose."

21 44. As demonstrated by the continued incorporation of Meta's tracking technology on 22 the GoodRx Platform, Meta did not take any steps to prevent its interception and use of GoodRx 23 users' sensitive health data.

24 45. As such, Meta's conduct was intentional despite knowing the privacy violations it 25 caused to Plaintiff and Class members.

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46. **Defendant Google LLC** is a Delaware limited liability company with its principal place of business located in Mountain View, California.

3 47. Google, as the creator of its SDK and Pixel, and as an established advertising
4 company, knew that it intercepted each of a user's interactions on the website or mobile application
5 that incorporated this technology.

6 48. Accordingly, Google at all times knew that the incorporation of its software into the
7 GoodRx Platform would result in its interception of sensitive information, including health
8 information relating to medical treatment and prescriptions.

9 49. Indeed, this is not the first or last time Google has been called out for collecting
10 sensitive data like health information. Indeed, in a February 2019 article from the *Wall Street*11 *Journal* discussing the collection and receipt of sensitive health data from users of a popular
12 women's menstruation app by Meta through its SDK, Google was contacted for comment. Google's
13 own SDK and tracking technology also collected the same data from this popular women's
14 menstruation app, which was later revealed following an investigation by the Federal Trade
15 Commission.

50. But Google's conduct continued. For example, back in November 2019 the *Financial Times* uncovered that Google received prescription drug name input by users on the website
drugs.com. In response to the report, Google claimed it had subsequently "marked" the data as
sensitive internally, excluding it from personalized ads, but that its technology may still serve
"contextual" ads from the content the user viewed.

51. Despite this, Google took no action to prevent its tracking technology from being
embedded on the GoodRx Platform, from which it received health information like medical
treatment and prescription information.

52. As demonstrated by the continued incorporation of Google's tracking technology on
the GoodRx Platform, Google did not take any steps to prevent its interception and use of GoodRx
users' sensitive health data.

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- 53. As such, Google's conduct was intentional despite knowing the privacy violations it
   caused to Plaintiff and Class members.
- 3 54. Defendant Criteo Corp. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of
  4 business located in New York, New York.
- 5 55. Criteo, as the creator of its SDK and Pixel, knew that it intercepted each of a user's
  6 interactions on the website or mobile application that incorporated this technology.

7 56. Accordingly, Criteo at all times knew that the incorporation of its software into the
8 GoodRx Platform would result in its interception of sensitive information, including health
9 information relating to medical treatment and prescriptions.

10 57. As demonstrated by the continued incorporation of Criteo's tracking technology on
11 the GoodRx Platform, Criteo did not take any steps to prevent its interception and use of GoodRx
12 users' sensitive health data.

13 58. As such, Criteo's conduct was intentional despite knowing the privacy violations it
14 caused to Plaintiff and Class members.

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# JURISDICTION AND VENUE

16 59. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28
17 U.S.C § 1332(d), because the amount in controversy for the Class exceeds \$5,000,000 exclusive of
18 interest and costs, there are more than 100 putative members of the Classes defined below, and a
19 significant portion of putative Class members are citizens of a state different from the Defendants.

20 60. This Court also has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
21 § 1332(a) because the amount in controversy in this case exceeds \$75,000 and this action is between
22 citizens of different states. Plaintiff is a resident of Florida, whereas Defendants are Delaware
23 entities with their principal places of business in California or New York.

61. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Google and Meta because their principal
places of business are in California. Google, Meta, and Criteo are also subject to specific personal
jurisdiction in this State because a substantial part of the events and conduct giving rise to Plaintiff's

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claims occurred in this State, including Defendants' collection and interception of Plaintiff's
 sensitive health data from the GoodRx Platform and use of that data for commercial purposes.
 62. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1391(b), (c), and (d) because
 a substantial portion of the conduct described in this Class Action Complaint was carried out in this
 District. Furthermore, Defendants GoodRx, Google, and Meta are headquartered in this District and

<sup>6</sup> subject to personal jurisdiction in this District.
7 63. Divisional Assignment: This action arises in San Mateo County, in that a

Bivisional Assignment: This action arises in San Mateo County, in that a substantial part of the events which give rise to the claims asserted herein occurred in San Mateo
County. Pursuant to L.R. 3-2(e), all civil actions that arise in San Mateo County shall be assigned to the San Francisco or Oakland Division.

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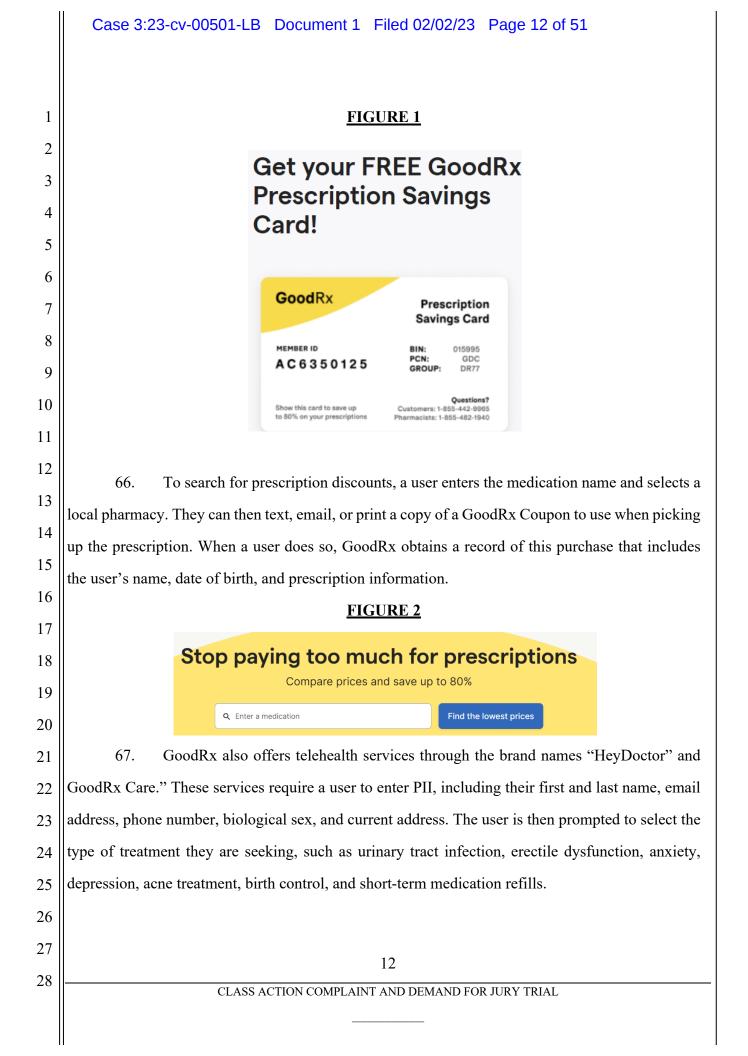
#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

#### The GoodRx Platform

64. GoodRx was founded in 2011 as a prescription coupon company. It has since
expanded to provide a number of services, including telehealth and informational material about
health conditions and medications.

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65. To create an account with GoodRx, users must provide their first and last name, email
address, and date of birth. Users can also obtain a "GoodRx Prescription Savings Card." To receive
this card users are required to provide their first and last name, address, and email. They can then
use this card for discounts on prescriptions at more than 70,000 pharmacies.

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4		Same-day prescription to treat your UTI. Expert advice on	Same-day prescription for ED medication. Discreetly delivered	Same-day birth control prescriptions. Start or refill any	
5 6		preventing future UTIs.	or pharmacy pickup.	pill, ring, or patch.	
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9		Anxiety, Stress, and Depression Medicine Refill	Acne Treatment and Prevention Acne is a common skin	Short-Term Medicine Refill Get a short-term (30 or 90 day	
10		Refill your anxiety, stress, and depression medication today.	condition that causes blemishes. We provide prescription strength creams	supply depending on the medicine) refill of the medicines you take regularly.	
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12		Start Now	Start Now	Start Now	
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14	68.	Once a treatment is se	elected, the user is then re-	equired to either complete a	n online
15	consultation and enter information about their symptoms and medication history, or schedule a visit			le a visit	
16	with a provider. They must also provide payment information.				
17	69. GoodRx also offers a paid service called "GoodRx Gold" that is paid on a monthly			monthly	
18	basis and combines its telehealth and prescription coupon services. Using this membership, GoodRx			GoodRx	
19	claims that users can access over 1,000 prescriptions at less than \$10 and arrange visits with			its with	
20	"licensed healthcare provider[s]" at just \$19. GoodRx Gold users can also use this service to track			to track	
21	their medication purchase history, including the medication name, purchase date, dosage, pharmacy,			armacy,	
22	and prescriber.				
23	В.	GoodRx's Promises t	to Users		
24	70.	Of course, users exped	et their communications v	with GoodRx to remain conf	idential.
25	This is because this information, including health data like whether a person is experiencing a			encing a	
26	urinary tract infection or needs certain medication, is highly sensitive and private.				
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71. Given this expectation of privacy in this type of sensitive information, it is unsurprising that GoodRx assured users this information would remain confidential.

3 72. GoodRx's privacy policy reinforces this notion that users' sensitive data, including
4 health information, would not be shared or used by third parties. For instance, between October
5 2017 and March 2019, GoodRx's privacy policy stated expressly that "we never provide advertisers
6 or any other third parties any *information that reveals a personal health condition or personal*7 *health information*."

8 73. Between October 2017 and March 2019, GoodRx's privacy policy stated expressly
9 that "we never provide advertisers or any other third parties any *information that reveals a personal*10 *health condition or personal health information*."

11 74. Between October 2017 and December 2019, GoodRx promised that it would only
12 use "personal medical data" such as prescription drug information in "limited cases" as necessary
13 to fulfill the user's request. For instance, to text or email GoodRx Coupons.

14 75. Between October 2017 and October 2019, it promised that when this information
15 was shared in this limited capacity, it "ensures that these third parties are bound to comply with
16 federal standards as to how to treat 'medical data' that is linked with your name, contact information
17 and other personal identifiers."

18 76. And in March of 2019, GoodRx promised it adheres to the Digital Advertising
19 Alliance principles. These principles state that entities "should not collect and use . . .
20 pharmaceutical prescriptions, or medical records about a specific individual for Online Behavioral
21 Advertising without Consent."

77. GoodRx's HeyDoctor privacy policy made similar promises, never disclosing or
mentioning that health information would be used or shared with advertisers. Indeed, between
October 2018 and July 2020, this policy told users that their information would only be shared to
provide access to telehealth services and that GoodRx would obtain users' consent prior to
disclosing it for any other reason. It also displayed a HIPPA seal, representing that its website

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2	complied with HIPPA regulations, including the prohibition against sharing health information
2	<ul><li>without written authorization from the user.</li><li>78. GoodRx's co-CEO repeated these same sentiments on a publicly available Twitter</li></ul>
3 4	account. On December 14, 2019, Doug Hirsch—GoodRx's co-CEO—tweeted the following:
4 5	FIGURE 4
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7	doug hirsch @dougjoe · Dec 14, 2019 ····
8	Replying to @SaysDana I may miss some of your many questions, but here's a stab. We don't sell
9	information and we never have. People can use GoodRx without giving us any information. Any information we do receive is stored under the same
10	guidelines as any health entity.
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12	79. He repeated those sentiments in later tweets that same day, reinforcing the notion
12	that users' sensitive data, including health information, was not shared or exploited.
14	<u>FIGURE 5</u>
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16	doug hirsch @dougjoe · Dec 14, 2019       ···         Replying to @dougjoe and @SaysDana       ···
17	I think it's important to mention that we started GoodRx to help Americans, not gather data or exploit anyone. My guiding principles are
18	based around doing everything I can to help people find affordable healthcare.
19	Q 1 tl 2 ♡ 2 ilii 1
20	80. Given these representations and the types of services GoodRx provides, users like
21	Plaintiff and Class members expected their data, including health information, and other interactions
22	on the GoodRx Platform, to remain confidential.
23	81. Unfortunately, GoodRx's assurances were false. Despite these promises, GoodRx
24	not only disclosed but allowed third parties to intercept highly sensitive personal and medical
25	information that Plaintiff and Class members entered on the GoodRx Platform, including their PII,
26	prescriptions and other health information.
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28	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

82. GoodRx knew that it disclosed and allowed third parties to intercept its users'
 sensitive personal information, including health data. Indeed, it intentionally created "Custom App
 Events" that were sent to these third parties with obvious names, such as "Drug Name" and "Drug
 Category" that clearly conveyed health information. It then used this information to categorize users
 based on the medical condition they had or medication they used to serve targeted advertisements
 relating to those conditions and treatment.

7 83. This information was shared with at least the Advertising and Analytics Defendants
8 Meta, Google, and Criteo, and at least a dozen other companies.

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## C. Meta's Tracking Technology on the GoodRx Platform

10 84. Meta is one of the largest advertising companies in the country. To date, Meta
11 generates nearly 98% of its revenue through advertising, bringing in a grand total of \$114.93 billion
12 in 2021.

13 85. Meta's advertising business began back in 2007 with the creation of "Facebook
14 Ads," which was marketed as a "completely new way of advertising online" that would allow
15 "advertisers to deliver more tailored and relevant ads."

16 86. Today, Meta provides advertising on its own platforms, such as Facebook and
17 Instagram, as well as websites outside these apps through the Facebook Audience Network.
18 Facebook alone has more than 2.9 billion active users.

19 87. Meta's advertising business has been extremely successful due, in large part, to
20 Meta's ability to target people at a granular level. "Among many possible target audiences, [Meta]
21 offers advertisers," for example, "1.5 million people 'whose activity on Facebook suggests that
22 they're more likely to engage with/distribute liberal political content' and nearly seven million
23 Facebook users who 'prefer high-value goods in Mexico.""

88. Given the highly specific data used to target specific users, it is no surprise that
millions of companies and individuals utilize Meta's advertising services. Meta generates
substantially all of its revenue from selling advertisement placements:

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**Total Revenue** 

\$117.93 billion

\$85.97 billion

\$70.70 billion

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89. One of Meta's most powerful advertising tools is Meta Pixel, formerly known as Facebook Pixel, which launched in 2015 and its SDK.

Ad Revenue

\$114.93 billion

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% Ad Revenue

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90. Meta touted Meta Pixel as "a new way to report and optimize for conversions, build
audiences and get rich insights about how people use your website." According to Meta, to use Meta
Pixel an advertiser need only "place a single pixel across [its] entire website to report and optimize
for conversions" so that the advertiser could "measure the effectiveness of [its] advertising by
understanding the action people take on [its] website."

11 91. The Meta Pixel is a snippet of code embedded on a third-party website that tracks 12 users' activity as the users navigate through a website. As soon as a user takes any action on a 13 webpage that includes the Meta Pixel, the code embedded in the page re-directs the content of the 14 user's communication to Meta while the exchange of the communication between the user and 15 website provider is still occurring.

16 92. Through this technology, Meta intercepts each page a user visits, what buttons they
17 click, as well as specific information they input into the website and what they searched. The Meta
18 Pixel sends each of these pieces of information to Meta with other identifiable information, such as
19 the user's IP address. Meta stores this data on its own server, in some instances, for years on end.

93. This data is often associated with the individual user's Facebook account. For
example, if the user is logged into their Facebook account when the user visits the GoodRx Platform,
Meta receives third-party cookies allowing Meta to link the data collected by Meta Pixel to the
specific Facebook user.

94. Meta can also link the data to a specific user through the "Facebook Cookie." The
Facebook Cookie is a workaround to recent cookie-blocking techniques, including one developed
by Apple, Inc., to track users, including Facebook users.

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- 95. Lastly, Meta can link user data to individual users through identifying information
   collected through Meta Pixel using what Meta calls "Advanced Matching." There are two forms of
   Advanced Matching: manual matching and automatic matching. Using Manual Advanced Matching
   the website developer manually sends data to Meta to link users. Using Automatic Advanced
   Matching, the Meta Pixel scours the data it receives to search for recognizable fields, including
   name and email address to match users to their Facebook accounts.
- 96. Importantly, even if Meta Pixel collects data about a non-Facebook user, Meta still
  retains and uses the data collected through Meta Pixel in its analytics and advertising services. These
  non-users are referred to as having "shadow profiles" with Meta.
- 97. At the time Plaintiff Jane Doe used the GoodRx Platform, she maintained active
  Facebook and Instagram accounts. Plaintiff Jane Doe accessed the GoodRx Platform from the same
  device she used to visit Facebook and Instagram, and Meta associated the data it collected about her
  from the GoodRx Platform with her Facebook and Instagram accounts and other PII.
- Meta offers an analogous mobile version of the Meta Pixel known as an SDK to app
  developers. Meta's SDK allows app developers "to track events, such as a person installing your
  app or completing a purchase." By tracking these events developers can measure ad performance
  and build audiences for ad targeting.
- 18 99. Meta's SDK collects three types of App Events. Automatically Logged Events are
  19 "log[] app installs, app sessions, and in-app purchases." Standard Events are "popular events that
  20 Facebook has created for the app." Custom Events are "events [the app developers] create that are
  21 specific to [the] app." Custom apps events used by GoodRx often included the medication the user
  22 took in the name (i.e., "Drug Name" and "Drug Category").
- 23 100. Once the data intercepted through the Meta Pixel or SDK is processed, Meta makes
  24 this data available through its Events Manager and Ads Manager pages, along with tools and
  25 analytics to reach these individuals through future Facebook ads. For instance, this data can be used
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to create "custom audiences" to target the user, as well as other Facebook users who match members
 of the audiences' criteria.

101. In addition to using the data intercepted through Meta Pixel and the SDK to provide
analytics services, Meta uses this data to improve its personalized content delivery, advertising
network, and machine-learning algorithms, including by improving its ability to identify and target
users.

7 102. Meta has no way to limit or prohibit the use of data collected through Meta Pixel and
8 its SDK given Meta's open systems and advanced algorithms.

9 103. According to leaked internal Meta documents, one employee explained "You pour
10 that ink [i.e., data] into a lake of water . . . at it flows . . . everywhere . . . How do you put that ink
11 back in the bottle? How do you organize it again, such that it only flows to the allowed places in the
12 lake?"

13 104. In these same leaked documents, another employee explained Meta does "not have 14 an adequate level of control and explainability over how our systems use data, and thus we can't 15 confidently make controlled policy changes or external commitments such as 'we will not use X 16 data for Y purpose.' And yet, that is exactly what regulators expect us to do, increasing our risk of 17 mistakes and misrepresentation." Thus, once the data enters the Meta system, either through its SDK 18 or Pixel, the data can be used for any and all purposes.

19 105. Meta's own employees confirmed no one at Meta can state confidently where all the
20 data about a user is stored and used. In a recent court hearing as part of the Cambridge Analytica
21 scandal of 2018, Meta's own engineers testified there was not a "single person" at Meta who could
22 answer that question.

23 106. GoodRx uses at least the Meta Pixel on the GoodRx Platform. As a result, GoodRx
24 disclosed and Meta intercepted users' interactions on the GoodRx Platform. Meta received at least
25 "Custom Events" named by GoodRx and URLs that disclosed the name of the medication, the health
26 condition relating to that medication, the medication quantity, pharmacy name, and the user's city,

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1 state, zip code, and IP address. Meta also received additional PII, including name, email address, 2 address, phone number, and gender. Meta and GoodRx used this data, as well as other data uploaded directly to Meta by GoodRx, so that GoodRx could run advertisements using its services. 3

4 107. Plaintiff Jane Doe provided her PII, health information, and other sensitive data to 5 GoodRx to obtain medical treatment and prescriptions. This information was disclosed to and 6 intercepted by Meta.

7 108. Plaintiff Jane Doe did not consent to the interception or disclosure of her data to Meta. GoodRx's disclosure, and Meta's interception, of Plaintiff Jane Doe's PII, health data, and 8 9 other highly sensitive information without her consent is an invasion of privacy and violates several 10 laws, including the Confidentiality of Medical Information Act ("CMIA") and California Invasion of Privacy Act ("CIPA"). 11

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#### Google's Tracking Technology on the GoodRx Platform

13 109. Google is one of the most valuable publicly traded companies in the world with a 14 market capitalization of over \$1 trillion dollars. Google fancies itself a "tech" company, but Google, 15 at its core, is an advertising company.

16 110. Google "make[s] money" from "advertising products [that] deliver relevant ads at 17 just the right time," generating "revenues primarily by delivering both performance advertising and 18 brand advertising."<sup>1</sup> In 2020, Google generated \$146.9 billion in advertising revenue, which 19 amounted to more than 80 percent of Google's total revenues for the year. Google generated an even 20 higher percentage of its total revenues from advertising in prior years:

21	Year	Total Revenue	Ad Revenue	% Ad Revenue
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	2021	\$257.6 billion	\$209.5	81.33%
23	2020	\$182.5 billion	\$146.9 billion	80.49%
	2019	\$161.9 billion	\$134.8 billion	83.29%
24	2018	\$136.8 billion	\$116.5 billion	85.12%
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	ALPHABET INC	C., ANNUAL REPORT (	FORM 10-K) (Feb. 2	, 2021), available at
26	https://www.sec.go	v/Archives/edgar/data/1652	044/00016520442100001	0/goog-20201231.htm.
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1 111. Google offers several analytics products, including SDKs and a tracking pixel, which
 exist solely to help drive ad revenue. For instance, Google's SDK and pixel integrate with Google's
 advertising offerings, such as Google Ads, Search Ads 360, Google Cloud, and Google Ad Manager,
 to direct more individuals to use Google's ad network and products increasing Google's overall ad
 revenue. Products like Google's SDK and its tracking pixel also improve the company's advertising
 network and capabilities by providing more wholesome profiles and data points on individuals.

7 112. One of these SDKs and tracking pixels is Google Analytics. Google first launched a
8 version of Google Analytics in 2005 as a tool for website traffic analysis. In 2007, Google launched
9 Google Analytics Synchronous code with new tracking functionality, such as the ability to track
10 commerce transactions. Two years later, Google launched the Google Analytics Asynchronous
11 code, which allowed webpages to load faster and improved data collection and accuracy.

12 113. Google continued updating its analytics platform, launching Universal Analytics in 13 2012. Universal Analytics offered new tracking codes and tools that provided more in-depth 14 information about user behavior. Also, Universal Analytics enabled tracking the same user across 15 multiple devices through its addition of the User-ID feature, which "associate[s] a persistent ID for 16 a single user with that user's engagement data from one or more sessions initiated from one or more 17 devices."

18 114. In 2020, Google launched Google Analytics 4, a platform combining Google
19 Analytics with Firebase to analyze both app and web activity.

20 115. Since launching Google Analytics, Google has become one of the most popular web
21 analytics platforms on the internet. Indeed, Google had a \$62.6 billion dollar increase in advertising
22 revenues in 2021, compared to 2020, after launching its most recent version of Google Analytics.

116. Google touts Google Analytics as a marketing platform that offers "a complete
 understanding of your customers across devices and platforms."<sup>2</sup> It allows companies and
 <sup>2</sup> Analytics, GOOGLE, https://marketingplatform.google.com/about/analytics/ (last visited Jan. 10, 2023).

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advertisers that utilize it to "understand how your customers interact across your sites and apps,
 throughout their entire lifestyle," "uncover new insights and anticipate future customer actions with
 Google's machine learning to get more value out of your data," "take action to optimize marketing
 performance with integrations across Google's advertising and publisher tools," and "quickly
 analyze your data and collaborate with an easy-to-use interface and shareable reports."<sup>3</sup>

6 117. Google Analytics is incorporated into third-party websites and apps by adding a
7 small piece of JavaScript measurement code to each page on the site. This code immediately
8 intercepts a user's interaction with the webpage every time the user visits it, including what pages
9 they visit and what they click on. The code also collects identifiable information, such as the IP
10 address and Client ID.

11 118. Once the code collects the data, it packages the information and sends it to Google
12 Analytics for processing. Google Analytics also allows the company or advertiser to customize the
13 processing of the data, such as applying filters. Once the data is processed, it is stored on a Google
14 Analytics database and cannot be changed.

15 119. After the data has been processed and stored in the database, Google uses this data 16 to generate reports to help analyze the data from the webpages. These include reports on acquisition 17 (e.g., information about where your traffic originates, the methods by which users arrive at your site 18 or app, and the marketing efforts you use to drive traffic), engagement (e.g., measure user 19 engagement by the events and conversion events that users trigger and the web pages and app 20 screens that user visits, and demographics (e.g., classify your users by age, location, language, and 21 gender, along with interests they express through their online browsing and purchase activities).

120. In addition to using the data collected through Google Analytics to provide marketing
and analytics services, Google also uses the data collected through Google Analytics to improve its
ad targeting capabilities and data points on users.

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1 121. GoodRx uses Google's pixel and SDK on the GoodRx Platform. As a result, GoodRx
 2 disclosed and Google intercepted users' interactions on the GoodRx Platform. Google received at
 3 least "Custom Events" named by GoodRx and URLs that disclosed the name of the medication,
 4 drug type, the health condition relating to that medication, the medication quantity and dosage, and
 5 pharmacy ID. Google also received additional PII, including phone number, email address, zip code,
 6 IP address, as well as unique advertising IDs and device IDs that uniquely identify the user and their
 7 device.

8 122. Plaintiff Jane Doe provided her PII, health information, and other sensitive data to
9 GoodRx to obtain medical treatment and prescriptions. This information was disclosed to and
10 intercepted by Google.

11 123. Plaintiff Jane Doe did not consent to the interception or disclosure of her data to
12 Google. GoodRx's disclosure, and Google's interception, of Plaintiff Jane Doe's PII, health data,
13 and other highly sensitive information without her consent is an invasion of privacy and violates
14 several laws, including the CMIA and CIPA.

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### E. Criteo's Tracking Technology on the GoodRx Platform

16 124. Criteo is a digital advertising company that focuses on serving personalized
17 advertisements. In 2021, Criteo earned 2.2 billion in revenue.

18 125. Criteo offers data collection and advertising technology to other companies. For19 instance, Criteo offers the "Criteo One Tag" which is a snippet of code similar to the Meta Pixel.

20 126. Using the Criteo One Tag, or by uploading data separately, companies like GoodRx
21 can utilize Criteo's advertising platform to target specific users. For instance, Criteo offers
22 "audiences" that group users based on a specific data point or similarity between them.

23 127. GoodRx uses Criteo's tracking technology, such as an SDK or pixel, on the GoodRx
24 Platform. As a result, GoodRx disclosed and Criteo intercepted users' interactions on the GoodRx
25 Platform. Criteo received at least users' health information, including what GoodRx Coupons they
26 accessed or used.

1 128. Plaintiff Jane Doe provided her PII, health information, and other sensitive data to
 2 GoodRx to obtain medical treatment and prescriptions. This information was disclosed to and
 3 intercepted by Criteo.

Plaintiff Jane Doe did not consent to the interception or disclosure of her data to
Criteo. GoodRx's disclosure, and Google's interception, of Plaintiff Jane Doe's PII, health data,
and other highly sensitive information without her consent is an invasion of privacy and violates
several laws, including the CMIA and CIPA.

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### F. Plaintiff and Class Members Do Not Consent to Defendants' Conduct

9 130. Plaintiff and Class members had no way of knowing that GoodRx was disclosing,
10 and the Advertising and Analytics Defendants were intercepting, their communications when
11 interacting with the GoodRx Platform, because their software is inconspicuously incorporated in the
12 background.

13 131. This conduct is all the more egregious given the nature of the information entered
14 into the GoodRx Platform, e.g., PII, requests for prescriptions, and identifiable medical information,
15 among other things. Plaintiff and Class members would not expect this information would be
16 disclosed or intercepted without their consent.

17 132. This is especially true given GoodRx's consistent representations that this 18 information would remain private and confidential. For instance, between October 2017 and March 19 2019, GoodRx's privacy policy stated expressly that "we never provide advertisers or any other 20 third parties any *information that reveals a personal health condition or personal health* 21 *information.*"

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### 133. Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members did not consent to Defendants' conduct.

G. Plaintiff and Class Members have a Reasonable Expectation of Privacy in their User Data

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134. Plaintiff and Class members have a reasonable expectation of privacy in their
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communications on the GoodRx Platform, including their health information.

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135. Privacy polls and studies uniformly show that the overwhelming majority of Americans consider one of the most important privacy rights to be the need for an individual's affirmative consent before a company collects and shares its customers' personal data.

For example, a recent study by *Consumer Reports* shows that 92% of Americans
believe that internet companies and websites should be required to obtain consent before selling or
sharing consumers' data, and the same percentage believe internet companies and websites should
be required to provide consumers with a complete list of the data that has been collected about them.
Moreover, according to a study by *Pew Research Center*, a majority of Americans, approximately
79%, are concerned about how data is collected about them by companies.

10 137. Users act consistent with these preferences. Following a new rollout of the iPhone operating software—which asks users for clear, affirmative consent before allowing companies to 11 12 track users—85% of worldwide users and 94% of U.S. users chose not to share data when prompted. 13 Another recent study by DataGrail revealed that 67% of people were willing to pay 138. \$100 or more annually to keep their information out of the hands of companies and the government. 14 15 The same study revealed that 75% of people would abandon brands that do not take care of their 16 data.

17 139. Other privacy law experts have expressed concerns about the disclosure to third
parties of a users' intimate health data. For example, Dena Mendelsohn—the former Senior Policy
Counsel at Consumer Reports and current Director of Health Policy and Data Governance at Elektra
Labs—explained that having your personal health information disseminated in ways you are
unaware of could have serious repercussions, including affecting your ability to obtain life insurance
and how much you pay for that coverage, increase the rate you're charged on loans, and leave you
vulnerable to workplace discrimination.

24 140. Defendants' surreptitious disclosure and interception of Plaintiff and Class members'
25 privacy communications, including PII, health information, and other sensitive data violates
26 Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy interests.

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## H. Defendants Used GoodRx Users' Data

2 141. The data GoodRx disclosed and the Advertising and Analytics Defendants
3 intercepted is also extremely valuable. According to Experian, health data is a "gold mine" for
4 healthcare companies and clinicians.

5 142. Consumers' health data, including what prescriptions they have, are extremely 6 profitable. For instance, Datarade.ai advertises access to U.S. customers names, addresses, email 7 addresses, telephone numbers who bought brand name medicine. The starting price for access to 8 just some of this data was \$10,000. Other companies, like Pfizer, spend \$12 million annually to 9 purchase health data and the medical data industry itself was valued at over \$2.6 billion back in 10 2014.

11 143. Defendant GoodRx monetized and used the data collected from GoodRx users to
12 serve personalized advertisements. For example, GoodRx used (and paid) Meta to serve
13 advertisements based on users' prescription medication.

14 144. Specifically, using Meta's "Ads Manager" and "Custom Audiences" feature,
15 GoodRx identified users with Facebook and Instagram accounts, and also uploaded data directly to
16 Meta, including users' email addresses, phone numbers, and mobile identifiers (e.g., device IDs and
17 advertising IDs) to identify users.

18 145. GoodRx then categorized users based on their health information (e.g., users who
19 had used a certain prescription) it disclosed and allowed Meta to intercept and used this information
20 to create Custom Audiences. It named these Custom Audiences based on the medication these users
21 had been prescribed (e.g., "atorvastatin claims" to mark atorvastatin prescription users). It then used
22 these Custom Audiences to serve personalized ads, including those related to their medical treatment
23 and prescription information.

24 146. GoodRx ran these targeted advertising campaigns on Instagram and Facebook
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1	147. For instance, between August 2017 and March 2018, GoodRx served targeted		
2	advertisements based on users who viewed drug pages for Losartan, Amlodipine, Zolpidem,		
3	Topiramate, and Quetiapine, respectively.		
4	148. Between November 1, 2018 and February 29, 2019, GoodRx targeted users who		
5	visited HeyDoctor's webpages for sexually transmitted diseases.		
6	149. Between July 22 and August 4, 2019, GoodRx targeted users who viewed GoodRx		
7	Coupons for Lipitor, Lisinopril, Neurontin, Prednisone, and Zithromax. The ads featured those		
8	prescriptions.		
9	150. In August 2019 GoodRx ran a campaign using Meta's services based on users who		
10	had purchased prescriptions for Lisinopril, Azithromycin, Atorvastatin, or Prednisone. Each of these		
11	users were grouped into a Custom Audience based on which of these prescriptions they used, titled		
12	"lisinopril claims" "atorvastatin claims" "azith claims" and "pred claims."		
13	151. Between November 1 and December 6, 2019, GoodRx targeted users who visited		
14	HeyDoctor's webpages for erectile dysfunction with advertisements promoting prescriptions for this		
15	condition.		
16	152. Between January 9, 2020 and February 25, 2020, GoodRx targeted users who had		
17	viewed GoodRx Coupons for Cialis or Sildenafil.		
18	153. In January 2020, GoodRx targeted users who viewed GoodRx Coupons for birth		
19	control, and in February 2020 it targeted users who accessed GoodRx Coupons for Cialis or		
20	Sildenafil with advertisements for Viagra.		
21	154. The above list, while not exhaustive, details the extreme abuses by GoodRx and		
22	Advertising and Analytics Defendants of Plaintiff's sensitive data.		
23	TOLLING, CONCEALMENT, AND ESTOPPEL		
24	155. The applicable statutes of limitation have been tolled as a result of Defendants'		
25	knowing and active concealment and denial of the facts alleged herein.		
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28	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL		
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- 1 156. Defendant GoodRx secretly incorporated the Advertising and Analytics Defendants'
   2 software into the GoodRx Platform, providing no indication to users that they were interacting with
   3 sites that shared their data, including PII and health data, with third parties.
- 4 157. Defendants had exclusive knowledge that the GoodRx Platform incorporated the
  5 Advertising and Analytics Defendants' software, yet failed to disclose that fact to users, or that by
  6 interacting with the GoodRx Platform Plaintiff and Class members' sensitive data, including PII and
  7 health data, would be disclosed to and intercepted by third parties
- 8 158. Plaintiff and Class members could not with due diligence have discovered the full
  9 scope of Defendants' conduct, including because it is highly technical and there were no disclosures
  10 or other indication that would inform a reasonable consumer that GoodRx was disclosing and third
  11 parties were intercepting data from the GoodRx Platform.
- 12 159. The earliest Plaintiff and Class members could have known about Defendants'13 conduct was shortly before the filing of this Complaint.
- 14 160. Defendants were under a duty to disclose the nature and significance of their data
  15 collection practices but did not do so. Defendants are therefore estopped from relying on any statute
  16 of limitations under the discovery rule.
- 17 161. Additionally, Defendants engaged in fraudulent conduct to prevent Plaintiff and
  18 Class members from discovering the disclosure and interception of their data. GoodRx misled
  19 Plaintiff and Class members to believe their data, including health data and PII, would not be
  20 disclosed or intercepted.
- 21 162. GoodRx represented to Plaintiff and Class members that it complied with HIPPA. It
  22 also promised Plaintiff and Class members that their data would not be disclosed or used for
  23 advertising.
- 24 163. Plaintiff and Class members were not aware that Defendants disclosed and
  25 intercepted their data, including PII and health information.
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1 164. Plaintiff and Class members exercised due diligence to uncover the facts alleged 2 herein and did not have actual or constructive knowledge of Defendants' misconduct by virtue of their fraudulent concealment. 3 Accordingly, all statutes of limitations are tolled under the doctrine of fraudulent 4 165. 5 concealment. **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS** 6 7 166. Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 8 individually and on behalf of the following Class: Nationwide Class: All natural persons in the United States who used the GoodRx 9 Platform and whose communications and/or data were shared with third parties, 10 including the Advertising and Analytics Defendants. 11 Excluded from the Class are: (1) any Judge or Magistrate presiding over this action 167. 12 and any members of their immediate families; (2) the Defendants, Defendants' subsidiaries, 13 affiliates, parents, successors, predecessors, and any entity in which the Defendants or their parents 14 have a controlling interest and their current or former employees, officers, and directors; and 15 (3) Plaintiff's counsel and Defendants' counsel. 16 168. **Numerosity:** The exact number of members of the Class is unknown and unavailable to Plaintiff at this time, but individual joinder in this case is impracticable. The Class likely consists 17 18 of millions of individuals, and the members can be identified through GoodRx's records. 19 **Predominant Common Questions:** The Class's claims present common questions 169. 20 of law and fact, and those questions predominate over any questions that may affect individual Class 21 members. Common questions for the Class include, but are not limited to, the following: 22 Whether Defendants violated Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy rights; 23 Whether Defendants' acts and practices violated the Common Law Invasion of 24 Privacy; 25 Whether Defendants were unjustly enriched;

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- Whether Defendants' acts and practices violated California's Confidentiality of Medical Information Act, Civil Code §§ 56, *et seq.*;
  - Whether Defendants' acts and practices violated the California Invasion of Privacy Act, Cal. Penal Code §§ 630, *et seq.*;
  - Whether Plaintiff and the Class members are entitled to equitable relief, including but not limited to, injunctive relief, restitution, and disgorgement; and
  - Whether Plaintiff and the Class members are entitled to actual, statutory, punitive or other forms of damages, and other monetary relief.

9 170. Typicality: Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the other members of the
10 Class. The claims of Plaintiff and the members of the Class arise from the same conduct by
11 Defendants and are based on the same legal theories.

12 171. Adequate Representation: Plaintiff has and will continue to fairly and adequately 13 represent and protect the interests of the Class. Plaintiff has retained counsel competent and experienced in complex litigation and class actions, including litigations to remedy privacy 14 15 violations. Plaintiff has no interest that is antagonistic to the interests of the Class, and Defendants have no defenses unique to any Plaintiff. Plaintiff and their counsel are committed to vigorously 16 17 prosecuting this action on behalf of the members of the Class, and they have the resources to do so. 18 Neither Plaintiff nor their counsel have any interest adverse to the interests of the other members of 19 the Class.

172. Substantial Benefits: This class action is appropriate for certification because class
proceedings are superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this
controversy and joinder of all members of the Class is impracticable. This proposed class action
presents fewer management difficulties than individual litigation, and provides the benefits of single
adjudication, economies of scale, and comprehensive supervision by a single court. Class treatment
will create economies of time, effort, and expense and promote uniform decision-making.

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1 173. Plaintiff reserves the right to revise the foregoing class allegations and definitions
 2 based on facts learned and legal developments following additional investigation, discovery, or
 3 otherwise.

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## CALIFORNIA LAW APPLIES TO THE ENTIRE CLASS

5 174. California substantive laws apply to every member of the Class. California's
6 substantive laws may be constitutionally applied to the claims of Plaintiff and the Classes under the
7 Due Process Clause, 14th Amend. § 1, and the Full Faith and Credit Clause, Art. IV. § 1 of the U.S.
8 Constitution. California has significant contact, or significant aggregation of contacts, to the claims
9 asserted by Plaintiff and Class members, thereby creating state interests to ensure that the choice of
10 California state law is not arbitrary or unfair.

175. GoodRx, Meta, and Google maintain their principal places of business in California
and conduct substantial business in California, such that California has an interest in regulating
GoodRx, Meta, and Google's conduct under its laws. Google and Meta also each selected California
law as the law to govern all disputes with their customers in their respective terms of service.
Defendants GoodRx, Meta, and Google's decision to reside in California and avail themselves of
California's laws, renders the application of California law to the claims herein constitutionally
permissible.

18 176. The application of California laws to the Class is also appropriate under California's
19 choice of law rules because California has significant contacts to the claims of Plaintiff and the
20 proposed Classes, and California has a greater interest in applying its laws here given Defendants'
21 locations and the location of the conduct at issue than any other interested state.

**CLAIMS FOR RELIEF** 

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Violation of Common Law Invasion of Privacy – Intrusion Upon Seclusion (On Behalf of the Plaintiff and the Class)

(Against all Defendants)

Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with

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the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.

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1 178. A Plaintiff asserting claims for intrusion upon seclusion must plead (1) that the
 2 defendant intentionally intruded into a place, conversation, or matter as to which Plaintiff has a
 3 reasonable expectation of privacy; and (2) that the intrusion was highly offensive to a reasonable
 4 person.

5 179. GoodRx's disclosure of Plaintiff's and Class members' sensitive data, including PII,
6 health information, prescription requests and other interactions on the GoodRx Platform, to third
7 parties like the Advertising and Analytics Defendants constitutes an intentional intrusion upon
8 Plaintiff's and Class members' solitude or seclusion.

9 180. Plaintiff and Class members had a reasonable expectation of privacy in the health
10 information and other personal data that GoodRx disclosed to third parties. Plaintiff's health
11 information, prescription requests, and other interactions with the GoodRx Platform are inherently
12 sensitive in nature. Plaintiff and Class members reasonably expected this information would remain
13 private and confidential and would not be disclosed to third parties without their consent.

14 181. This expectation is especially heightened given GoodRx's consistent representations
15 to users that this information would be safeguarded and not disclosed to third parties like Meta,
16 Google, and Criteo.

17 182. GoodRx promised that it would only use personal medical data such as prescription
18 drug information in "limited cases" as necessary to fulfill the user's request. For instance, to text or
19 email GoodRx Coupons.

183. Indeed, in March of 2019, GoodRx promised it adheres to the Digital Advertising
Alliance principles. These principles state that entities "should not collect and use . . .
pharmaceutical prescriptions, or medical records about a specific individual for Online Behavioral
Advertising without Consent."

24 184. And its co-CEO publicly made similar statements, tweeting "People can use
25 GoodRx without giving us any information. Any information we do receive is stored under the *same*26 *guidelines as any health entity*."

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1 185. Given these representations, and the nature of the data GoodRx received, Plaintiff 2 and Class members had a reasonable expectation of privacy in their data relating to their use of the 3 GoodRx Platform and expected this information would not be disclosed.

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186. Plaintiff and Class members did not consent to, authorize, or know about GoodRx's 5 intrusion at the time it occurred. Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members never agreed that 6 GoodRx could disclose their data to third parties.

7 187. The surreptitious disclosure of sensitive data, including PII and health information 8 from millions of individuals was highly offensive because it violated expectations of privacy that 9 have been established by social norms. Privacy polls and studies show that the overwhelming 10 majority of Americans believe one of the most important privacy rights is the need for an individual's affirmative consent before personal data is collected or shared. 11

12 188. The offensiveness of this conduct is all the more apparent because GoodRx's 13 disclosure of this information was conducted in secret in a manner that Plaintiff and Class members would be unable to detect through the incorporation of highly technical SDKs and pixels that was 14 15 contrary to the actual representations made by GoodRx.

16 189. As a result of GoodRx's actions, Plaintiff and Class members have suffered harm and injury, including but not limited to an invasion of their privacy rights. 17

18 190. Plaintiff and Class members have been damaged as a direct and proximate result of 19 GoodRx's invasion of their privacy and are entitled to just compensation, including monetary 20 damages.

21 191. Plaintiff and Class members seek appropriate relief for that injury, including but not limited to damages that will reasonably compensate Plaintiff and Class members for the harm to 22 23 their privacy interests as well as a disgorgement of profits made by GoodRx as a result of its 24 intrusions upon Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy.

25 192. Plaintiff and Class members are also entitled to punitive damages resulting from the 26 malicious, willful, and intentional nature of GoodRx's actions, directed at injuring Plaintiff and

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1	Class members in conscious disregard of their rights. Such damages are needed to deter Defendants		
2	from engaging in such conduct in the future.		
3	193. Plaintiff also seeks such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.		
4 5	<u>SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF</u> Violation of Common Law Invasion of Privacy – Intrusion Upon Seclusion (On Behalf of the Plaintiff and the Class) (Against Advertising and Analytics Defendants)		
6	194. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with		
7 8	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.		
° 9	195. A Plaintiff asserting claims for intrusion upon seclusion must plead (1) that the		
9	defendant intentionally intruded into a place, conversation, or matter as to which Plaintiff have a		
10	reasonable expectation of privacy; and (2) that the intrusion was highly offensive to a reasonable		
12	person.		
12	196. Advertising and Analytics Defendants' surreptitious interception, storage, and use of		
13	Plaintiff and Class members' interactions and communications with the GoodRx Platform, including		
15	PII, health information, and prescription requests, constitutes an intentional intrusion upon Plaintiff		
16	and Class members' solitude or seclusion.		
17	197. Plaintiff and Class members expected this information to remain private and		
18	confidential given the nature of the GoodRx Platform, which is primarily used to receive medical		
19	advice, treatment, prescriptions, and prescription coupons.		
20	198. This expectation is especially heightened given GoodRx's consistent representations		
21	that this data would remain confidential. Plaintiff and Class members did not expect third parties,		
22	and specifically Advertising and Analytics Defendants, to secretly intercept this information and		
23	their communications.		
24	199. Plaintiff and Class members did not consent to, authorize, or know about Advertising		
25	and Analytics Defendants' intrusion at the time it occurred. Plaintiff and Class members never		
26	agreed that Advertising and Analytics Defendants could intercept, store, and use this data.		
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200. Defendants' intentional intrusion on Plaintiff's and Class members' solitude or
 seclusion would be highly offensive to a reasonable person. Plaintiff and Class members reasonably
 expected, based on GoodRx's repeated assurances, that their information would not be disclosed to
 or collected by any third parties, including to Advertising and Analytics Defendants.

5 201. The surreptitious taking and interception of sensitive data, including PII and medical 6 information from millions of individuals was highly offensive because it violated expectations of 7 privacy that have been established by social norms. Privacy polls and studies show that the 8 overwhelming majority of Americans believe one of the most important privacy rights is the need 9 for an individual's affirmative consent before personal data is collected or shared.

202. The offensiveness of this conduct is all the more apparent because Advertising and
Analytics Defendants' interception, storage, and use of this information was conducted
inconspicuously in a manner that Plaintiff and Class members would be unable to detect and was
contrary to the actual representations made by GoodRx.

14 203. Given the highly sensitive of the data that Advertising and Analytics Defendants
15 intercepted, such as private details about medications and health information, this kind of intrusion
16 would be (and in fact is) highly offensive to a reasonable person.

17 204. As a result of Advertising and Analytics Defendants' actions, Plaintiff and Class
18 members have suffered harm and injury, including but not limited to an invasion of their privacy
19 rights.

20 205. Plaintiff and Class members have been damaged as a direct and proximate result of
21 Defendants' invasion of their privacy and are entitled to just compensation, including monetary
22 damages.

23 206. Plaintiff and Class members seek appropriate relief for that injury, including but not
24 limited to damages that will reasonably compensate Plaintiff and Class members for the harm to
25 their privacy interests as well as a disgorgement of profits made by Defendants as a result of its
26 intrusions upon Plaintiff's and Class members' privacy.

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1	207. Plaintiff and Class members are also entitled to punitive damages resulting from the		
2	malicious, willful, and intentional nature of Defendants' actions, directed at injuring Plaintiff and		
3	Class members in conscious disregard of their rights. Such damages are needed to deter Defendants		
4	from engaging in such conduct in the future.		
5	208. Plaintiff also seeks such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.		
6	THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF		
7	Unjust Enrichment (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against All Defendants)		
8	209. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with		
9	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.		
10	210. Defendants received benefits from Plaintiff and Class members and unjustly retained		
11	those benefits at their expense.		
12	211. Defendants received benefits from Plaintiff and Class members in the form of the		
13 Plaintiff's highly valuable data, including health information and PII, that Defendants wrongf			
14	disclosed and intercepted from Plaintiff and Class members without authorization and proper		
15	compensation.		
16 17	212. Defendants disclosed, intercepted, stored, and used this data for their own gain,		
17	providing Defendants with economic, intangible, and other benefits, including highly valuable data		
19	for analytics, advertising, and improvement of their platforms, algorithms, and advertising services.		
20	213. Had Plaintiff known of Defendants' misconduct, she would not have provided any		
21	of their data to Defendants or have used or paid to use the GoodRx Platform.		
22	214. Defendants unjustly retained these benefits at the expense of Plaintiff and Class		
23	members because Defendants' conduct damaged Plaintiff and Class members, all without providing		
24	any commensurate compensation to Plaintiff and Class members.		
25	215. The benefits that GoodRx derived from Plaintiff and Class members rightly belong		
26	to Plaintiff and Class members. It would be inequitable under unjust enrichment principles in		
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California and every other state for Defendants to be permitted to retain any of the profit or other
 benefits they derived from the unfair and unconscionable methods, acts, and trade practices alleged
 in this Complaint.

4 216. Defendants should be compelled to disgorge in a common fund for the benefit of
5 Plaintiff and Class members all unlawful or inequitable proceeds that Defendants received, and such
6 other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

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## <u>FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF</u> Violation of California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act ("CMIA") Civil Code Section 56.06 (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against GoodRx)

10 217. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with
11 the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.

12 218. GoodRx is a provider of healthcare under Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.06, subdivisions 13 (a) and (b), because the GoodRx Platform maintains medical information and offers software to 14 consumers that is designed to maintain medical information for the purposes of allowing its users 15 to manage their information or make the information available to a heath care provider, or for the 16 diagnoses, treatment, or management of a medical condition.

17 219. GoodRx is therefore subject to the requirements of the CMIA and obligated under
18 Section 56.06 subdivision (e) to maintain the same standards of confidentiality required of a provider
19 of health care with respect to medical information that it maintains on behalf of users.

20 220. The CMIA defines medical information to mean any "individually identifiable 21 information" in possession of or derived from "a provider of health care, health care service plan, 22 pharmaceutical company, or contractor regarding a patient's medical history, mental or physical 23 condition, or treatment." As explained above, the information GoodRx maintained and disclosed is 24 medical information because it is identifiable information relating to patient's medical histories, 25 conditions, treatments, and prescriptions.

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221. GoodRx violated Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.06(e) because it did not maintain the
 confidentiality of users' medical information. GoodRx disclosed to third parties Plaintiff's and Class
 members' medical information without consent, including information concerning medications they
 were taking or were prescribed.

5 222. GoodRx shared this identifiable information with third parties, including Meta, 6 Google, and Criteo and whose primary business includes selling advertisements, analytics, or other 7 insights based on the data they obtain about individuals, and using such data to improve their 8 products, services, and algorithms.

9 223. GoodRx knowingly and willfully disclosed medical information without consent to
10 Advertising and Analytics Defendants for financial gain. Namely, to sell more products, advertise,
11 obtain analytics, and improve the GoodRx Platform, in violation of Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.06(e).
12 GoodRx's conduct was knowing and willful as they were aware that Advertising and Analytics
13 Defendants would obtain all user data input while using their sites, yet intentionally embedded
14 Advertising and Analytics Defendants' code anyway.

15 224. At the very least, GoodRx negligently disclosed medical information to Advertising
16 and Analytics Defendants in violation of Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.06(e).

17 225. Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to: (1) nominal damages of
18 \$1,000 per violation; (2) actual damages, in an amount to be determined at trial; (3) statutory
19 damages pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.36(c); and reasonable attorneys' fees and other
20 litigation costs reasonably incurred.

21 22	FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF Violation of CMIA Civil Code Section 56.101
23	(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against GoodRx)
24	226. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with
25	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.
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227. Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.101 (a) requires that every provider of health care "who creates, maintains, preserves, stores, abandons, destroys, or disposes of medical information shall do so in a manner that preserves the confidentiality of the information contained therein."

4 228. Any health care provider who "negligently creates, maintains, preserves, stores,
5 abandons, destroys, or disposes of medical information shall be subject to remedies and penalties
6 provided under subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 56.36[.]"

7 229. GoodRx is a provider of health care who creates, maintains, preserves, stores,
8 abandons, destroys, or disposes of medical information.

9 230. GoodRx failed to maintain, preserve, and store medical information in a manner that
10 preserves the confidentiality of the information contained therein because it disclosed to Advertising
11 and Analytics Defendants, Plaintiff's and Class members' medical information, including
12 information concerning medications they were taking or were prescribed.

13 231. GoodRx's failure to maintain, preserve, and store medical information in a manner
14 that preserves the confidentiality of the information was, at the least, negligent and violates Cal.
15 Civ. Code Section 56.101 (a).

Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to: (1) nominal damages of
\$1,000 per violation; (2) actual damages, in an amount to be determined at trial; (3) statutory
damages pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.36(c); and reasonable attorneys' fees and other
litigation costs reasonably incurred.

20	SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF Violation of CMIA Civil Code Section 56.10
21	(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against GoodRx)
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23	233. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with
	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.
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	234. Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.10 (a) prohibits a health care provider from disclosing
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26	medical information without first obtaining an authorization, unless a statutory exception applies.
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1	235.	GoodRx disclosed medical information without first obtaining authorization when it				
2	disclosed to third parties Advertising and Analytics Defendants Plaintiff's and Class members' data,					
3	including PII and prescription requests. No statutory exception applies.					
4	236. GoodRx knowingly and willfully disclosed medical information without consent to					
5	Advertising and Analytics Defendants for financial gain. Namely, to market and advertise its					
6	services, or to allow others to market and advertise its services, in violation of Cal. Civ. Code Section					
7	56.10, subdivision (a).					
8	237.	At the very least, GoodRx negligently disclosed medical information in violation of				
9	Cal. Civ. Co	de Section 56.10, subdivision (a) through the unauthorized disclosure of Plaintiff's and				
10	Class membe	ers' sensitive medical information.				
11	238.	Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to: (1) nominal damages of				
12	\$1,000 per violation; (2) actual damages, in an amount to be determined at trial; (3) statutory					
13	damages pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.35; and reasonable attorneys' fees and other					
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16	Civil Code Section 56.06, 56.101, 56.10 (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against Advertising and Analytics Defendants)					
17	239.	Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with				
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19	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein. 240. As set forth herein, GoodRx's disclosure of Plaintiff's and Class members medical					
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21	241.	By contracting with GoodRx to receive and use Plaintiff's and Class members' data				
22		ications, including medical information, as well as providing the means to accomplish				
23	this objective, Advertising and Analytics Defendants acted intentionally or alternatively, with					
24	knowledge that GoodRx's misappropriation of Plaintiff's and Class members' medical information					
25	was a violati	on of the CMIA.				
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1	242. Advertising and Analytics Defendants provided substantial assistance and			
2	encouragement to GoodRx's violation of the CMIA, including by providing the means, i.e., SDKs			
3	and pixels, to share and disclose this data. Advertising and Analytics Defendants knew that their			
4	software could be seamlessly integrated without alerting users that their sensitive medical			
5	information would be shared with Advertising and Analytics Defendants.			

6 243. Advertising and Analytics Defendants' agreements with GoodRx and receipt of
7 Plaintiff's and Class members' sensitive information, including medical information, is a substantial
8 factor in causing the violations of the CMIA alleged herein. For example, in the absence of
9 Advertising and Analytics Defendants' technology, GoodRx would likely not have shared Plaintiff's
10 and Class members' medical information.

244. Given the lucrative value of Plaintiff's and Class members' medical information,
Advertising and Analytics Defendants were willing to receive, and encouraged, GoodRx to share
this data. As a result, Advertising and Analytics Defendants aided and abetted GoodRx's CMIA
violations and are therefore jointly liable with GoodRx for the relief sought by Plaintiff and the
Class.

16 17	EIGTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF Violation of CMIA Civil Code Section 56.36 (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against Advertising and Analytics Defendants)		
18 19	245. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with		
20	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.		
20	246. Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.36(B)(3)(A) prohibits any person of entity other than a		
22	licensed health care professional from knowingly or willfully obtaining medical information for		
23	financial gain.		
24	247. Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.36(B)(5) prohibits any person or entity who is not		
25	permitted to receive medical information under the CMIA from knowingly and willfully obtaining,		
26	disclosing, or using the medical information without written authorization.		
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248. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants are entities who are not licensed health
 care professionals, and Advertising and Analytics Defendants are not permitted to receive medical
 information under the CMIA.

4 249. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants violated Cal. Civ. Code Sections
5 56.36(B)(3)(A) and (B)(5) because they knowingly and willfully obtained medical information from
6 the GoodRx Platform without authorization for their own financial gain.

7 250. As described herein, the Advertising and Analytics Defendants intentionally
8 designed their software to intercept data from the websites and mobile applications in which they
9 are incorporated.

10 251. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants knew this software was incorporated on
11 websites and mobile applications that would consequently lead to the interception of medical
12 information, including medical information input in the GoodRx Platform.

13 252. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants knowingly and willfully received this
14 information without written authorization from Plaintiff and Class members, and did so for their
15 own financial gain. Namely, to profit through advertising and analytics services they offer, as well
16 as to improve their algorithms, data points, and other technologies.

Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code Section 56.36(B)(3)(A) and Cal. Civ. Code Section
56.36(B)(5), the Advertising and Analytics Defendants are liable for a civil penalty up to \$250,000
per violation of these sections.

20 21 22		<u>NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF</u> Violation of the California Invasion of Privacy Act ("CIPA") Cal. Penal Code § 631 (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class and Subclass) (Against All Defendants)
23	254.	Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with
24	the same force	and effect as if fully restated herein.
25	255.	The California Legislature enacted the California Invasion of Privacy Act, Cal. Penal
26	Code §§ 630, e	et seq. ("CIPA") finding that "advances in science and technology have led to the
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1 development of new devices and techniques for the purpose of eavesdropping upon private 2 communications and that the invasion of privacy resulting from the continual and increasing use of 3 such devices and techniques has created a serious threat to the free exercise of personal liberties and 4 cannot be tolerated in a free and civilized society." *Id.* § 630. Thus, the intent behind CIPA is "to 5 protect the right of privacy of the people of this state." *Id.* 

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Cal. Penal Code § 631 imposes liability on any person who "by means of any 6 256. machine, instrument, contrivance, or in any other manner" (1) "intentionally taps, or makes any 7 8 unauthorized connection . . . with any telegraph or telephone wire, line, cable, or instrument," (2) 9 "willfully and without the consent of all parties to the communication, or in any unauthorized 10 manner, reads or attempts to read, or to learn the contents or meaning of any message, report, or communication while the same is in transit or passing over any wire, line, or cable, or is being sent 11 12 from, or received at any place within [the state of California]," (3) "uses, or attempts to use, in any 13 manner, or for any purpose, or to communicate in any way, any information so obtained," or (4) "aids, agrees with, employs, or conspires with any person or persons to unlawfully do, or permit, or 14 15 cause to be done any of the acts or things mentioned above in this section."

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257. Defendants are persons for purposes of § 631.

17 258. Defendants GoodRx, Meta, and Google maintain their principal places of business
18 in California, where they designed, contrived, agreed, conspired, effectuated, and/or received the
19 interception and use of the contents of Plaintiff and Class members' communications. Additionally,
20 Google and Meta have adopted California substantive law to govern their relationship with users.

21 259. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants' technology (i.e., SDKs and pixels),
22 Plaintiff's and Class members' browsers and mobile applications, and Plaintiff's and Class
23 members' computing and mobile devices are a "machine, instrument, contrivance, or . . . other
24 manner."

25 260. At all relevant times, the Advertising and Analytics Defendants, through their SDKs
26 and pixels, intentionally tapped or made unauthorized connections with, the lines of internet

communication between Plaintiff and Class members and GoodRx's website and app without the
 consent of all parties to the communication.

261. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants, willfully and without the consent of
Plaintiff and Class members, read or attempt to read, or learn the contents or meaning of Plaintiff
and Class members' communications to GoodRx while the communications are in transit or passing
over any wire, line or cable, or were being received at any place within California when it intercepted
Plaintiff and Class members' communications and data with GoodRx, which is headquartered in
California, in real time.

9 262. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants used or attempted to use the
10 communications and information they received through their tracking technology, including to
11 supply analytics and advertising services.

12 263. By incorporating the Advertising and Analytics Defendants' technology on its
13 website, GoodRx aided, agreed with, employed, and conspired with Advertising and Analytics
14 Defendants to carry out the wrongful conduct alleged herein.

15 264. The interception of Plaintiff's and Class members' communications was without
authorization and consent from the Plaintiff and Class members. Accordingly, the interception was
unlawful and tortious.

18 265. Plaintiff and the Class members seek statutory damages in accordance with
19 § 637.2(a), which provides for the greater of: (1) \$5,000 per violation; or (2) three times the amount
20 of damages sustained by Plaintiff and the Class in an amount to be proven at trial, as well as
21 injunctive or other equitable relief.

22 266. Plaintiff and Class members have also suffered irreparable injury from these 23 unauthorized acts. Plaintiff's and Class members' sensitive data has been disclosed, viewed, stored, 24 and used by Advertising and Analytics Defendants, have not been destroyed, and due to the 25 continuing threat of such injury, Plaintiff and Class members have no adequate remedy at law and 26 are entitled to injunctive relief.

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## TENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF Violation of CIPA Cal. Penal Code § 632 (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class and Subclass) (Against Advertising and Analytics Defendants)

267. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.

Cal. Penal Code § 632 prohibits "intentionally and without the consent of all parties 268. to a confidential communication," the "use[] [of] an electronic amplifying or recording device to eavesdrop upon or record the confidential communication"...

8 Section 632 defines "confidential communication" as "any communication carried 269. 9 on in circumstances as may reasonably indicate that any party to the communication desires it to be 10 confined to the parties thereto[.]"

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- 270. Plaintiff and Class members' communications to GoodRx, including their sensitive 12 medical information including information concerning medications they were taking or were 13 prescribed, their medical histories, allergies, and answers to other health-related questions, were 14 confidential communications for purposes of § 632, because Plaintiff and Class members had an 15 objectively reasonable expectation of privacy in this data.
- 16 Plaintiff and Class members expected their communications to GoodRx to be 271. 17 confined to GoodRx in part, because of GoodRx's consistent representations that these 18 communications would remain confidential. Plaintiff and Class members did not expect third 19 parties, and specifically Advertising and Analytics Defendants, to secretly eavesdrop upon or record 20 this information and their communications.
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272. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants' tracking technology, i.e., SDKs and pixels, are all electronic amplifying or recording devices for purposes of § 632.

23 273. By contemporaneously intercepting and recording Plaintiff's and Class members' 24 confidential communications to GoodRx through this technology, Advertising and Analytics 25 26

Defendants eavesdropped and/or recorded confidential communications through an electronic
 amplifying or recording device in violation of § 632 of CIPA.

3 274. At no time did Plaintiff or Class members consent to the Advertising and Analytics
4 Defendants' conduct, nor could they reasonably expect that their communications to GoodRx would
5 be overheard or recorded by Advertising and Analytics Defendants.

6 275. The Advertising and Analytics Defendants utilized Plaintiff's and Class members'
7 sensitive medical information for their own purposes, including advertising and analytics.

8 276. Plaintiff and Class members seek statutory damages in accordance with § 637.2(a)
9 which provides for the greater of: (1) \$5,000 per violation; or (2) three times the amount of damages
10 sustained by Plaintiff and the Class in an amount to be proven at trial, as well as injunctive or other
11 equitable relief.

12 277. Plaintiff and Class members have also suffered irreparable injury from these 13 unauthorized acts. Plaintiff's and Class members' sensitive data has been collected, viewed, 14 accessed, stored, by Advertising and Analytics Defendants, have not been destroyed, and due to the 15 continuing threat of such injury, have no adequate remedy at law, Plaintiff and Class members are 16 entitled to injunctive relief.

**ELEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF** 17 Violation of the California Consumers Legal Remedies Act ("CLRA") Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1750, et seq 18 (On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against GoodRx) 19 Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with 278. 20 the same force and effect as if fully restated herein. 21 279. GoodRx engaged in "unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts . . . 22 in a transaction . . . that result[ed] . . . in the sale . . . of goods" to Plaintiff and the Class members 23 in violation of Cal. Civ. Code § 1750 and Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(5), (7), (9), (14), (16). 24 25 26 27 46 28 CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

- 280. For instance, GoodRx made representations that it would protect Plaintiff's privacy
   interest, including promising that it would "never provide advertisers or any other third parties any
   *information that reveals a personal health condition or personal health information.*"
- 4 281. GoodRx promised that it would only use "personal medical data" such as
  5 prescription drug information in "limited cases" as necessary to fulfill the user's request. For
  6 instance, to text or email GoodRx coupons.

7 282. It also represented in public tweets and by displaying the HIPPA seal that it
8 complied with HIPPA, which prohibits the disclosure of data for advertising and analytics without
9 written authorization from the user.

283. GoodRx made these representations with no intention of living up to these
representations. Contrary to these representations, GoodRx disclosed and allowed third parties to
intercept Good Rx users' sensitive data, including health data and PII.

13 284. Further, GoodRx failed to disclose it secretly shared, used, and allowed third parties
14 to intercept Plaintiff's and Class members' sensitive data, including PII and health information.

15 285. GoodRx was under a duty to disclose this information given its relationship with
16 GoodRx users and its exclusive knowledge of its misconduct (e.g., the technology incorporated on
17 the GoodRx platform, the data is disclosed and allowed third parties to intercept through this
18 technology, and how it and third parties used this data).

19 286. Plaintiff and Class members would not have purchased, or would have paid
20 significantly less for, GoodRx services and products had GoodRx not made these false
21 representations. GoodRx profited directly from these sales, including through payment for these
22 services and products, and from the data disclosed and intercepted.

23 287. Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the Class, seeks an injunction requiring
24 GoodRx to obtain consent prior to disclosing and otherwise using Plaintiff's and Class members'
25 sensitive personal data and to delete the data already collected, and any other relief which the court
26 deems proper.

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1	288. Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 1782(a), Plaintiff served GoodRx with notice of its			
2	alleged violations of the CLRA by certified mail return receipt requested contemporaneously with			
3	the filing of this complaint. Should GoodRx fail to provide appropriate relief for its violations of the			
4	CLRA within 30 days, Plaintiff intends to seek monetary damages under the CLRA.			
5	289. In accordance with Cal. Civ. Code § 1780(d), Plaintiff's CLRA venue declaration is			
6	attached hereto as Exhibit A.			
7	<u>TWELFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF</u> Violations of Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200 <i>et. seq</i> .			
8	(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class) (Against All Defendants)			
9	290. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates the preceding allegations of this Complaint with			
10	the same force and effect as if fully restated herein.			
11	291. Defendants' business acts and practices are "unlawful" under the Unfair Competition			
12	Law, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200 <i>et. seq.</i> ("UCL"), because, as alleged above, Defendants			
13	violated the California common law and other statutes and causes of action described herein.			
14	292. Defendants' business acts and practices are "unfair" under the UCL. California has			
15	a strong public policy of protecting consumers' privacy interests, including protecting consumers'			
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17	personal data. Defendants violated this public policy by, among other things, disclosing and			
18	intercepting Plaintiff's and Class members' sensitive data, including PII and health data, without			
19	consent.			
20	293. GoodRx further engaged in unfair business practices because it made material			
20	misrepresentations and omissions concerning the information that it assured users it would not share			
	with third parties, which deceived and misled users of the GoodRx platform.			
22	294. Defendants' business acts and practices are also "unfair" in that they are immoral,			
23	unethical, oppressive, unscrupulous, and/or substantially injurious to consumers. The gravity of the			
24	harm of Defendants secretly disclosing, intercepting, and misusing Plaintiff's and Class members'			
25	sensitive personal data is significant, and there is no corresponding benefit resulting from such			
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conduct. Finally, because Plaintiff and Class members were completely unaware of Defendants'
 conduct, they could not have possibly avoided the harm.

295. Defendants' business acts and practices are also "fraudulent" within the meaning of
the UCL. Defendant GoodRx disclosed, and the Advertising and Analytics Defendants intercepted,
a large collection of sensitive personal data, including health information and PII, without disclosing
this practice and therefore acted without users' knowledge or consent. Defendants' business acts
and practices were likely to, and did, deceive members of the public including Plaintiff and Class
members into believing this data was private and would not be shared with third parties.

9 296. GoodRx assured users that it "never provide[s] advertisers or any other third parties
10 any *information that reveals a personal health condition or personal health information*."

297. GoodRx did not disclose that it would share this data with third parties, including
with Advertising and Analytics Defendants.

13 298. Such information was not kept private, as GoodRx disclosed and allowed the
14 Advertising and Analytics Defendants to intercept this data.

Defendants' violations were, and are, willful, deceptive, unfair, and unconscionable.
300. Had Plaintiff and Class members known their personal information, including health
data and PII, would be disclosed and intercepted, they would not have used or purchased, or would
have paid significantly less for, GoodRx services and products.

301. Plaintiff and Class members have a property interest in their sensitive personal data.
By surreptitiously disclosing and intercepting Plaintiff's and Class members' information,
Defendants have taken property from Plaintiff and Class members without providing just or any
compensation.

302. Health data, including prescription information, objectively has value. Companies
are willing to pay for this data, including the disclosed to and intercepted by Advertising and
Analytics Defendants. For instance, Pfizer annually pays approximately \$12 million to purchase
health data from various sources.

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1	303. This data also objectively has value to consumers. According to the annual Financial				
2	Trust Index Survey, conducted by the University of Chicago's Booth School of Business and				
3	Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management, which interviewed more than 1,000				
4	Americans, 93 percent would not share their health data with a digital platform for free. Half of the				
5	survey respondents would only share their data for \$100,000 or more, and 22 percent would only				
6	share their data if they received between \$1,000 and \$100,000.4				
7	304. By unlawfully disclosing and intercepting this data, Defendants have taken money				
8	or property from Plaintiff and Class members.				
9	305. For these reasons, Plaintiff seeks at least restitution and other equitable relief on				
10	behalf of herself and Class members as a result of Defendants' violations of the UCL.				
11	PRAYER FOR RELIEF				
12	WHEREFORE, Plaintiff on behalf of themselves and the proposed Class respectfully				
13	requests that the Court enter an order:				
14	A. Certifying the Class and appointing Plaintiff as the Class's representative;				
15	B. Finding that Defendants' conduct was unlawful, as alleged herein;				
16	C. Awarding declaratory relief against Defendants;				
17	D. Awarding such injunctive and other equitable relief as the Court deems just and				
18	proper;				
19	E. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class members statutory, actual, compensatory,				
20	consequential, punitive, and nominal damages, as well as restitution and/or				
21	disgorgement of profits unlawfully obtained;				
22	F. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class members pre-judgment and post-judgment interest;				
23	G. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class members reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and				
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25	<sup>4</sup> Andrea Park, <i>How much should health data cost?</i> \$100K or more, according to patients, BECKER'S HOSP. REV. (Feb. 12, 2020), https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/healthcare-information-				
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I, Jane Doe, declare as follows:

2 1. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and, if called upon to do so,
3 could competently testify thereto.

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2. I am a Plaintiff in the above captioned action.

3. I submit this declaration in support of the Class Action Complaint, which is based in
part on violations of the Consumers Legal Remedies Act ("CLRA"), California Civil Code Section
1750 *et seq*.

8 4. I am informed and believe the Class Action Complaint has been filed in the proper
9 place for trial of this action.

10 5. Pursuant to 28 U.S. Code Section 1391(b), a civil action may be brought in a judicial
11 district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred.

6. Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code Section 1780(d), an action under the CLRA may be
commenced in the county in which the person against whom it is brought resides, has his or her
principal place of business, or is doing business, or in the county where the transaction or any
substantial portion thereof occurred.

16 7. I am informed and believe Defendant GoodRx Holdings, Inc. conducts business in
17 San Mateo county, and a substantial part of the events given rise to the claims asserted in the Class
18 Action Complaint were carried out in San Mateo county, including the disclosure and interception
19 of data to Defendants Meta Platform, Inc.

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8. Thus, this action is properly filed in San Mateo county, California.

21I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is22true and correct and that this declaration was executed on February 2, 20234 in Palm Beach

23 county, Florida. JANE DOE Jape Dog (Feb 2, 2023 11.36 EST) 24 25 26 27 28 2 CLRA VENUE DECLARATION OF PLAINTIFF JANE DOE PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 1780(D)