

# **EXHIBIT A**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION**

**IN RE GOOGLE PLAY STORE  
ANTITRUST LITIGATION**

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

*In re Google Play Consumer Antitrust  
Litigation*, Case No. 3:20-cv-05761-JD

*State of Utah et al. v. Google LLC et al.*,  
Case No. 3:21-cv-05227-JD

Case No. 3:21-md-02981-JD

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE**

Judge: Hon. James Donato  
Courtroom: 11, 19th Floor, 450 Golden Gate Ave,  
San Francisco, California, 94102

## Settlement Agreement and Release

The Parties, by and through their respective counsel, in consideration for and subject to the promises, terms, and conditions contained in this Settlement Agreement, hereby warrant, represent, acknowledge, covenant, stipulate and agree, subject to Court approval pursuant to applicable federal and state law, as follows:

### **1. Definitions**

As used herein the following terms have the meanings set forth below:

1.1 “Actions” mean the State AG Action and the Consumer Action.

1.2 “Affiliates,” with respect to a Party, shall mean (i) all entities now or in the future controlling, controlled by or under common control with that party; (ii) all entities in the past controlling, controlled by or under common control with that party, for the period of time that such control exists or existed; and (iii) predecessors, successors or successors in interest thereof, including all entities formed or acquired by that party in the future that come to be controlled by that party. For purposes of this definition, “control” means possession directly or indirectly of the power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies of a company or entity through the ownership of voting securities, contract, or otherwise, and “entities” includes all persons, companies, partnerships, corporations, associations, organizations, and other entities.

1.3 “Android” means the Android operating system source code as published through the Android Open Source Project.

1.4 “Android-compatible” means a device (i) based on Android that (ii) complies with the Compatibility Definition Document and (iii) that passes the Compatibility Test Suite, as published and updated by Google from time to time through the Android Open Source Project.

1.5 “Attorneys’ Fees and Expenses” means any attorneys’ fees, costs, and expenses of any kind or description incurred by the States or Consumer Counsel or other attorneys, experts, consultants, or agents of the Plaintiffs or Eligible Consumers.

1.6 “Claims” means any claims, counterclaims, set-offs, demands, actions, rights, liabilities, costs, debts, expenses, attorneys’ fees, damages, and/or causes of action of any type, including claims arising under federal or State antitrust, unfair competition or consumer protection laws, or State common or equitable law that were asserted, could have been asserted, known or unknown, against the Released Parties, that have accrued as of the Effective Date or that accrue no later than seven years after the Effective Date, arising from any of the facts, matters, transactions, events, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, omissions, or failures to act set forth or alleged in the Actions, whether brought as direct claims, representative claims, class claims, or *parens patriae* claims on behalf of the States or any other person or entity that the States represent. For the avoidance of doubt “Claims” includes, and this Settlement Agreement releases, only claims that arise from an identical factual predicate or claims made in any complaint filed in the Actions.

1.7 “Consumer Action” means *In re Google Play Consumer Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 3:20-cv-05761-JD, pending in the Northern District of California, coordinated with other actions as part of MDL No. 2981, and previously captioned *Carr v. Google LLC*, as well as any actions consolidated by the Court with *In re Google Play Consumer Antitrust Litigation*.

1.8 “Consumer Counsel” means the law firms of Bartlit Beck LLP; Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP; Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP; Korein Tillery LLC; Milberg Coleman Bryson, Phillips Grossman, PLLC; and Pritzker Levine LLP which have any and all authority and capacity necessary to execute this Settlement Agreement and bind all of the Individual

Plaintiffs who have not personally signed this Settlement Agreement, as if each of those individuals had personally executed this Settlement Agreement.

1.9 “Consumer Plaintiffs” means the plaintiffs in the Consumer Action.

1.10 “Court” means The United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

1.11 “Default Sideload Flow” means the following three screens in Android versions prior to the Revised Sideload Implementation Date: (1) the pop-up with the default text “For your security, your phone currently isn’t allowed to install unknown apps from this source. You can change this in Settings,” which appears if a source that has not been enabled for sideloading attempts to install an app, (2) the subsequent “Install unknown apps” screen that allows the user to enable sideloading from the specified source, and (3) the confirmation screen with the default language “Do you want to install this app?”.

1.12 “Defense Counsel” means the law firms of Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP; Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP; Hogan Lovells; and Kwun Bhansali Lazarus LLP.

1.13 “Distribution Plan” means the plan or method of allocation of the Settlement Fund among Settlement Consumers. The Distribution Plan will be submitted to the District Court separately from the Settlement Agreement and is not part of this Settlement Agreement.

1.14 “Effective Date” means the first business day after which all of the following events and conditions of this Settlement Agreement have been met or occurred:

1.14.1 Google, the States, and Individual Plaintiffs have executed this Settlement Agreement; and

1.14.2 The Final Approval Order has become a final, non-appealable judgment approving the Settlement Agreement in all respects and is no longer subject to review,

reconsideration, rehearing, appeal, petition for permission to appeal, petition for writ of certiorari, or any other appellate review of any kind.

1.15 “Eligible Consumers” means individuals whose legal address in their Google payments profile was in one of the States when they purchased an app from Google Play or made an in-app purchase (including subscriptions) through Google Play Billing from August 16, 2016 through September 30, 2023.

1.16 “Final Approval Order” means a final judgment and order entered by the Court approving the Settlement Agreement and dismissing the Actions with prejudice and without the award of fees and/or costs (except as specified in this Settlement Agreement).

1.17 “Final Judgment” means a final judgment and dismissal of the Actions with prejudice.

1.18 “Forms of Notice” means any material that will be sent or disseminated to Eligible Consumers by the Settlement Administrator to notify Eligible Consumers of this Settlement, the process for receiving payments or submitting claims, and how to opt out of to the Settlement, including but not limited to the Notice, Summary Notice, the Settlement Website and the domain name for the Settlement Website, the content of any media, social media, or advertising campaign, and the script of any outbound telephone notice.

1.19 “Google” means Google LLC, Google Ireland Limited, Google Commerce Limited, Google Asia Pacific Pte. Limited, and Google Payment Corp.

1.20 “Google Play” means the Google Play store or any successor Google app store for Mobile Devices in the United States.

1.21 “ICP” means the Independent Compliance Professional as identified in Section 7.1.

1.22 “ICP Staff” means any personnel retained by the ICP subject to Section 7.3.1.

1.23 “Individual Plaintiffs” means all individual consumers who have pending claims against Google in MDL No. 2981, including Matthew Atkinson, Mary Carr, Daniel Egerter, Alex Iwamoto, Serina Moglia, and Zachary Palmer.

1.24 “Joining States” mean the following states, commonwealths, and territories of the United States, by and through their Attorneys General, in their sovereign capacity and as *parens patriae* on behalf of Eligible Consumers in such states, commonwealths, and territories:

Alabama, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

1.25 “Leadership Committee of the States” means California, North Carolina, New York, Tennessee, and Utah.

1.26 “Mobile Device” means Android-compatible smartphones and tablets sold in the United States, and no other types of devices.

1.27 “Motion for Approval of Notice” means the motion asking this Court to issue an Order authorizing the States to issue notice and preliminarily approve the Settlement.

1.28 “Notice” means the notice of this Settlement Agreement, which Plaintiffs will draft in consultation with Google, to be attached as an exhibit to the Motion for Approval of Notice and disseminated to Eligible Consumers in accordance with this Settlement Agreement.

1.29 “Notice Approval Order” means an order authorizing the States to issue notice of the Settlement to Eligible Consumers, preliminarily approving the Settlement Agreement, and preliminarily approving a proposed disposition of the Settlement Fund.

1.30 “Notice Date” means the date set forth in the Notice Approval Order for commencing the transmission of the Summary Notice.

1.31 “Original States” means the following states, commonwealths, and districts of the United States, by and through their Attorneys General, in their sovereign capacity and as *parens patriae* on behalf of Eligible Consumers in such states, commonwealths, and districts: Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Vermont, Utah, Washington, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

1.32 “Parties” means Google, the States, and the Individual Plaintiffs.

1.33 “Plaintiffs” means the States and the Individual Plaintiffs.

1.34 “Potentially Interested Party” means a mobile OS provider, app store, company facilitating digital transactions regardless of platform, company providing billing services for digital transactions, mobile OEM, mobile carrier, or mobile app developer.

1.35 “Released Claims” means the claims defined under Section 11 of this Settlement Agreement.

1.36 “Released Parties” means (a) Alphabet Inc. and Google; (b) the past, present, and future parents, subsidiaries, Affiliates, divisions, joint ventures, licensees, or franchisees of the entities in part (a) of this paragraph; (c) the past, present, and future shareholders, officers, directors, members, agents, employees, independent contractors, consultants, administrators, representatives, fiduciaries, insurers, predecessors, successors, and assigns of any of the entities in parts (a) - (b) of this paragraph.

1.37 “Revised Default Sideloaded Flow” means the Default Sideloaded Flow as modified on or after the Revised Sideloaded Implementation Date. For the avoidance of doubt,



the Revised Default Sideloaded Flow does not encompass (1) an OEM's changes or modifications to Android's sideloading flow, (2) security warnings provided by a web browser vendor in connection with the download of executable files, (3) Google Play Protect, or (4) sideloading restrictions or warnings for consumers who have chosen to enroll in the Advanced Protection Program.

1.38 "Revised Sideloaded Implementation Date" means the date that is the earlier of: (1) the date Google releases a new version (other than a pre-release or beta version) of Android that implements the revisions to the Default Sideloaded Flow specified in Section 6.10 and (2) the release date of the first major version (other than a pre-release or beta version) of Android that is released six (6) months or more after the Effective Date.

1.39 "Settlement" or "Settlement Agreement" means the settlement agreement and release described in this document.

1.40 "Settlement Administrator" means a firm appointed by the Court, which shall provide settlement notice and administration services pursuant to the terms of this Settlement Agreement.

1.41 "Settlement Consumers" means and includes every Eligible Consumer who does not validly and timely request exclusion ("opt out") from the Settlement.

1.42 "Settlement Fund" means the fund established as described in Section 5.3.

1.43 "Settlement Fund Escrow Account" means an escrow account established, in consultation with Google, pursuant to Court order and held in a qualified settlement fund, as defined in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 et seq., in a bank account deposit with a commercial bank with excess capital exceeding \$1,000,000,000, with a rating of "A" or higher by S&P.

1.44 “Settlement Website” means a website created and maintained by the Settlement Administrator for the purpose of providing Eligible Consumers with notice of the Settlement.

1.45 “State AG Action” means *State of Utah v. Google LLC*, Case No. 3:21-cv-05227-JD, pending in the Northern District of California, coordinated with other actions as part of MDL No. 2981.

1.46 “State” means any one of the individual states, commonwealths, territories, or districts listed in Section 1.47.

1.47 “States” mean the following states, commonwealths, territories, and districts of the United States, by and through their Attorneys General, in their sovereign capacity and as *parens patriae* on behalf of Eligible Consumers in such states, commonwealths, territories, and districts: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

1.48 “States’ Monetary Fund” means the fund established as described in Section 5.5.

1.49 “States’ Monetary Fund Escrow Account” means an escrow account established, in consultation with Google, pursuant to Court order and held in a qualified settlement fund, as defined in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 et seq., in a bank account deposit with a commercial bank with excess capital exceeding \$1,000,000,000, with a rating of “A” or higher by S&P.

1.50 “Summary Notice” means a summary of the Notice, which Plaintiffs will draft in consultation with Google, that is sent to Eligible Consumers by electronic mail and/or other means approved by the Court and that provides instructions for accessing the Settlement Website and contacting the Settlement Administrator.

1.51 “User” means Mobile Device users in the United States.

## **2. Recitals**

This Settlement Agreement is made for the following purposes and with reference to the following facts:

2.1 On August 16, 2020, Mary Carr brought a case on behalf of Consumer Plaintiffs. On October 21, 2020, Consumer Plaintiffs filed a Consolidated Class Action Complaint, and subsequently amended their complaint on August 30, 2021 and December 20, 2021. Consumer Plaintiffs’ operative complaint alleges that Google monopolized an alleged Android app distribution market in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 2; engaged in unreasonable restraints of trade with respect to OEMs and app developers concerning the alleged Android app distribution market in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1; monopolized an alleged Android in-app aftermarket in violation of 15 U.S.C § 2; engaged in unreasonable restraints of trade in an alleged Android in-app aftermarket in violation of 15 U.S.C § 1; unlawfully tied Google Play Billing to the use of Google Play in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1; engaged in unreasonable restraints of trade with respect to OEMs and app developers concerning the alleged Android app distribution market in violation of the California Cartwright Act, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code Sections 16700 et seq.; engaged in unreasonable restraints of trade in an alleged Android in-app aftermarket in violation of the California Cartwright Act, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code Sections 16700 et seq; unlawfully tied Google Play Billing to the use of Google Play in violation of the California Cartwright Act, Cal. Bus. &

Prof. Code Sections 16700 et seq.; engaged in unlawful, unfair, and deceptive business acts and practices violating the California Unfair Competition Law, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code Section 17200 et seq.

2.2 On July 7, 2021, the Original States (except for Louisiana and Texas) filed a Complaint on behalf of themselves and as *parens patriae* on behalf of consumers in their respective states alleging that Google monopolized the alleged Android app distribution market in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 2; engaged in unreasonable restraints of trade with respect to OEMs and app developers concerning the alleged Android app distribution market in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1; unlawfully tied Google Play Billing to the use of Google Play in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1; monopolized the alleged in-app payment processing market in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 2; engaged in unreasonable restraints of trade in the alleged in-app payment processing market in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1; engaged in unlawful exclusive dealing in the alleged in-app payment processing market in violation 15 U.S.C. § 1; violated various state antitrust, unfair competition, and consumer protection laws based on the same conduct that formed the basis of their federal antitrust law claims and/or alleged false or misleading statements or other allegedly deceptive conduct. The Original States' Complaint sought damages, penalties, and injunctive relief. The Original States (including Louisiana and Texas) filed an amended complaint on November 1, 2021 alleging substantially similar claims, but also adding state antitrust and consumer protection claims under Louisiana and Texas law.

2.3 On May 26, 2022, Consumer Plaintiffs moved to certify a class of consumers in 17 states and territories that were not represented by the Original States. Google opposed the motion. On November 28, 2022, the Court certified a damages class of consumers in the 17

states and territories not represented by the Original States, but subsequently decertified the class on September 13, 2023.

2.4 After the Court indicated it would decertify the class, the Joining States decided to join this Settlement Agreement.

2.5 Google disputes the claims alleged in the Actions and believes it has strong defenses to these claims. The Settlement is not an admission of wrongdoing, fault, liability, or damage of any kind. Google disputes that Plaintiffs' claims have merit and that Plaintiffs, or Eligible Consumers, would be entitled to any relief.

2.6 Plaintiffs believe that the claims asserted in their respective Actions have merit and have examined and considered the benefits to be obtained under this Settlement, the risks associated with the continued prosecution of this complex and potentially time-consuming litigation, and the likelihood of ultimate success on the merits, and have concluded that the Settlement is fair, adequate, reasonable, and in their best interest and the best interests of Eligible Consumers.

### **3. Confidentiality**

3.1 The Parties must comply with all portions of the Stipulated Third Amended Protective Order, ECF No. 249 (May 25, 2022), and any other operative protective orders entered in these Actions, including but not limited to Section 15 of the Stipulated Third Amended Protective Order, ECF No. 249 (May 25, 2022), which requires the return, destruction, or deletion of Protected Materials (as defined in that order), subject to archival copies as defined in paragraph 15 of the Stipulated Third Amended Protective Order, ECF No. 249 (May 25, 2022). For avoidance of doubt, under the Stipulated Third Amended Protective Order, ECF No. 249 (May 25, 2022), "final disposition of the action" refers to the final disposition of all member

cases in MDL No. 2981, *In re Google Play Store Antitrust Litigation*, No. 21-md-2981-JD.

Notwithstanding the above, the Leadership Committee of the States and Consumer Counsel will comply with, and ensure compliance by Plaintiffs with, Section 15 of the Stipulated Third Amended Protective Order, ECF No. 249 (May 25, 2022), including the 60-day destruction and certification requirements, after the Effective Date.

3.2 Except as disclosed in the parties' Stipulation With Proposed Order Re Deadlines in Consumers' and States' Actions in Light of Tentative Settlement, ECF No. 596 (September 5, 2023), or as agreed to by the Parties in writing, this Settlement Agreement and its terms shall remain confidential until the Motion for Approval of Notice is filed with the Court. Before the filing of that motion, the States, Consumer Counsel, and Defense Counsel may disclose this Settlement Agreement and its terms only to their respective clients and their respective experts, who will also maintain the confidentiality of this Settlement Agreement and its terms.

#### **4. Amendment of Complaint in State AG Action**

4.1 In connection with the filing of this Settlement Agreement, the States shall seek approval from the Court to file an amended complaint that includes all of the parties identified in Section 1.47. The amended complaint will track the allegations and claims of the existing operative complaint in the State AG Action, except that it will add the Joining States as plaintiffs, will add parallel federal claims for the Joining States, and may include state law claims for some or all of the Joining States that are parallel to the claims asserted by the Original States. Seven (7) days prior to filing the amended complaint with the Court, the States shall provide a copy to Google. The States agree to stipulate to suspend any deadline to answer the amended complaint.

#### **5. Monetary Consideration**

5.1 In consideration of the releases and dismissals set forth in this Settlement Agreement, Google agrees to establish:

5.1.1 As described in Section 5.3, a Settlement Fund in the total amount of \$630,000,000 to settle claims of the Settlement Consumers. The Settlement Fund is being paid as compensatory restitution in order to settle, in whole or in part, the damages claims of Settlement Consumers. Pursuant to Section 5.4.1, notice and claims administration costs, taxes, any award of Consumer Counsel Attorneys' Fees and Expenses, or other payments authorized by the Court shall be paid from the Settlement Fund.

5.1.2 A States' Monetary Fund in the total amount of \$70,000,000, as described in Section 5.5, to be distributed directly to the States to settle claims asserted by each State in its sovereign capacity.

5.2 Google's total financial commitment under this Settlement Agreement shall be \$700,000,000 and shall not exceed that sum for any reason including Attorneys' Fees and Expenses, litigation costs, costs of settlement administration and notice, any pre-suit or post-suit investigation costs, or taxes (e.g., taxes on interest generated by the Settlement Fund or the States' Monetary Fund). No portion of the Settlement Fund or the States' Monetary Fund shall revert to or be refunded to Google after the Effective Date.

5.3 Settlement Fund: Google shall establish a Settlement Fund as follows:

5.3.1 Within fifteen (15) days after the later of (a) entry of the Notice Approval Order or (b) receipt of detailed wire instructions and completed IRS Form W-9, including an address and tax ID number, Google shall transfer \$1,000,000 into the Settlement Fund Escrow Account for settlement notice and administration.

5.3.2 Within forty-five (45) days after the entry of the Notice Approval Order, Google shall transfer the additional sum of \$629,000,000 into the Settlement Fund Escrow Account.

5.3.3 All interest on the funds in the Settlement Fund Escrow Account shall accrue to the benefit of Settlement Consumers, except as specified in Section 5.3.8. Any interest shall not be subject to withholding and shall, if required, be reported appropriately to the Internal Revenue Service by the escrow agent. The Settlement Fund Escrow Account is responsible for the payment of all taxes.

5.3.4 The funds in the Settlement Fund Escrow Account shall be deemed a “qualified settlement fund” within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 et seq. at all times after the creation of the Settlement Fund Escrow Account. All taxes shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund Escrow Account. Google, Defense Counsel, and Plaintiffs shall have no liability or responsibility for any of the taxes. The Settlement Fund Escrow Account shall indemnify and hold Google, Defense Counsel, and Plaintiffs harmless for all taxes (including, without limitation, taxes payable by reason of any such indemnification). For avoidance of doubt, the States take no position on Google’s tax liabilities.

5.3.5 The Settlement Administrator or an accountant jointly selected by the Parties shall timely and properly file all informational and other tax returns necessary or advisable with respect to the Settlement Fund (including, without limitation, the returns described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)). Such returns (as well as the election described in the previous paragraph) shall be consistent with this paragraph and in all events shall reflect that all taxes (including the taxes, any estimated taxes, interest, or penalties) on the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund as provided herein.



5.3.6 Within ten (10) days after the later of the Effective Date or Court approval of the Distribution Plan, the States will direct the Settlement Administrator to distribute funds from the Settlement Fund in accordance with the Distribution Plan and the States' instructions. The Settlement Administrator shall not disburse any portion of the Settlement Fund except as provided in the Distribution Agreement or by order of the Court.

5.3.7 All funds held in the Settlement Fund Escrow Account shall be deemed and considered to be in *custodia legis* of the Court, and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court, until such time as such funds shall be distributed pursuant to the Distribution Agreement or further order of the Court.

5.3.8 Refund Upon Termination. In the event that the Court does not enter the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment or if for any other reason final approval of the Settlement does not occur, is successfully objected to, or successfully challenged on appeal, or the Effective Date is not reached, the remaining Settlement Fund (including accrued interest), less (a) any administration or notice expenses actually incurred, and (b) any amounts and taxes incurred or due and owing and payable from the Settlement Fund in accordance with this Settlement Agreement, shall be refunded to Google.

5.4 Distribution to Settlement Consumers:

5.4.1 After disbursement of any amounts for notice and claims administration costs, taxes, any award of Consumer Counsel Attorneys' Fees and Expenses, or other payments authorized by the Court, all remaining funds in the Settlement Fund shall be distributed according to a Court-approved Distribution Plan, for the benefit of Settlement Consumers.

5.4.2 The Distribution Plan shall be submitted to the Court for approval with the Motion for Approval of Notice. Plaintiffs shall develop the Distribution Plan in consultation with Google.

5.4.3 The Distribution Plan shall not violate any term of this Settlement Agreement. The terms of this Settlement Agreement shall control in the event there are any conflicting terms in the Distribution Plan.

5.4.4 The Parties agree and understand that any proposed Distribution Plan is to be considered by the Court separate from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness and adequacy of the settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement and any order or proceedings relating to the Distribution Plan shall not operate to terminate or cancel the Settlement Agreement or affect the finality of the Final Approval Order, or any other orders entered pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, provided that Google's total financial commitment under this Settlement Agreement shall be \$700,000,000.

5.5 States' Monetary Fund: Google shall establish a States' Monetary Fund as follows:

5.5.1 Within forty-five (45) days after the later of (a) entry of the Notice Approval Order, or (b) receipt of detailed wire instructions and completed IRS Form W-9, including an address and tax ID number, Google shall transfer \$70,000,000 into the States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account.

5.5.2 All interest on the funds in the States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account shall accrue to the benefit of the States. Any interest shall not be subject to withholding and shall, if required, be reported appropriately to the Internal Revenue Service by the escrow agent. The States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account is responsible for the payment of all taxes.

5.5.3 The funds in the States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account shall be deemed a "qualified settlement fund" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 et seq. at all times after the creation of the States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account. All taxes shall be paid out of the States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account. Google, Defense Counsel, and Plaintiffs shall have no liability or responsibility for any of the taxes. The States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account shall indemnify and hold Google, Defense Counsel, and Plaintiffs harmless for all taxes (including, without limitation, taxes payable by reason of any such indemnification). For avoidance of doubt, the States take no position on Google's tax liabilities.

5.5.4 An accountant jointly selected by the Parties shall timely and properly file all informational and other tax returns necessary or advisable with respect to the States' Monetary Fund (including, without limitation, the returns described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)). Such returns (as well as the election described in the previous paragraph) shall be consistent with this paragraph and in all events shall reflect that all taxes (including the taxes, any estimated taxes, interest, or penalties) on the income earned by the States' Monetary Fund shall be paid out of the States' Monetary Fund as provided herein.

5.5.5 No disbursement of any portion of the States' Monetary Fund shall be made until after the Effective Date.

5.5.6 All funds held by the States' Monetary Fund Escrow Account shall be deemed and considered to be in *custodia legis* of the Court, and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court, until such time as such funds shall be distributed pursuant Section 5.5.5.

5.5.7 Refund Upon Termination. In the event that the Court does not enter the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment or if for any other reason final approval of the

Settlement does not occur, is successfully objected to, or successfully challenged on appeal, or the Effective Date is not reached, the States' Monetary Fund (including accrued interest), less any amounts and taxes incurred or due and owing and payable from the States' Monetary Fund in accordance with this Settlement Agreement, shall be refunded to Google.

5.6 The monetary payment to the States shall be apportioned among the States at their sole discretion. The payment may be used for any one or more of the following purposes, by the States' Attorneys General as they, in their sole discretion, see fit:

5.6.1 antitrust or consumer protection law enforcement;

5.6.2 deposit into a state antitrust or consumer protection account (e.g., revolving account, trust account), for use in accordance with the state laws governing that account;

5.6.3 deposit into a fund exclusively dedicated to assisting state attorneys general enforce the antitrust laws by defraying the costs of a) experts, economists, and consultants in multistate antitrust investigations and litigation, b) training or continuing education in antitrust for attorneys in state attorney general offices, or c) information management systems used in multistate antitrust investigations and litigation;

5.6.4 payment of States' Attorneys' Fees and Expenses;

5.6.5 or for any other purpose as the attorneys general deem appropriate, consistent with the various states' laws.

## **6. Commitments**

6.1 In consideration of the releases and dismissals set forth in this Settlement Agreement, Google makes the following commitments.

6.2 App Distribution on Android

6.2.1 For a period of at least seven (7) years from the Effective Date, Google shall continue to technically enable Android to allow the installation of third-party apps on Mobile Devices through means other than Google Play, including through third party app stores, provided that Google may implement reasonable restrictions that are tailored to protect user privacy, security and/or safety.

6.3 User Choice Billing in the United States

6.3.1 For a period of at least five (5) years from the Effective Date, subject to program guidelines (or other comparable UCB requirements), Google will give developers that choose to sell in-app digital goods and services the option to add an alternative in-app billing system alongside Google Play's billing system for their Users. At checkout, Users will be able to choose which in-app billing system to use. Specifically:

- (a) Developers can offer an alternative in-app billing option to Users next to Google Play's billing system;
- (b) Developers can encourage Users to choose their billing service through offering different pricing or promotion options (*e.g.* discounts);
- (c) Developers' alternative billing service will need to meet Google's minimum requirements and user experience guidelines (or other comparable UCB requirements) tailored to protect Users (*e.g.*, privacy, security and/or safety);
- (d) Users choose which billing option to use via a neutral choice screen as described in Google's minimum requirements and user experience guidelines or other comparable UCB requirements.

6.3.2 If Google chooses to impose a service fee based on purchases made through an alternative billing service, it will require from developers the minimum amount of data necessary to support the offering of an alternative billing system and for collection of its service fee. Google will not use this data for purposes of competing with those developers' apps.

#### 6.4 Price Parity Provisions

6.4.1 For a period of at least five (5) years from the Effective Date, Google will not enter into any new agreement or enforce any provision of any existing agreement that commits a developer that distributes apps to Mobile Devices through Google Play to set prices for in-app purchases of digital goods and services sold using Google Play's billing system at a level that is equal to or more favorable than prices set for digital goods and services sold using other in-app billing systems or means of digital distribution on Mobile Devices.

#### 6.5 Title Launch and Feature Parity Provisions

6.5.1 For a period of at least four (4) years from the Effective Date, Google will not enter into any new agreement or enforce any provision of any existing agreement that commits a developer to:

- (a) Launch their titles on Google Play for Users at the same time or earlier than any other app store for Mobile Devices, or;
- (b) Offer their titles on Google Play for Users with the same or better features as compared to any other app store for Mobile Devices.

6.5.2 Notwithstanding this commitment, Google may enter into an agreement with a developer that contains these types of provisions:

- (a) on an app-by-app basis; and/or

- (b) after two (2) years from the Effective Date, if such provisions concern alternative app stores owned or controlled by a company with annual revenues exceeding \$100 billion.

6.6 OEM Deals with Preload Exclusivity or Home Screen Exclusivity for Play

6.6.1 For a period of at least five (5) years from the Effective Date, Google will not enter into any new agreement or enforce any provision of any existing agreement with the purpose or effect of securing preload exclusivity or home screen exclusivity of Google Play on a Mobile Device.

6.7 Installer Rights

6.7.1 For a period of at least four (4) years from the Effective Date, Google will not enter into any new agreement or enforce any provision in an existing agreement under which an OEM would be prevented from granting installer rights (i.e. the `INSTALL_PACKAGES` permission) to preloaded applications on their Mobile Devices, whether with or without Google's consent; provided, however, that Google may take reasonable steps that are tailored to protect user privacy or security.

6.7.2 For avoidance of doubt:

- (a) This provision does not prevent Google from enforcing generally applicable policies relating to content and functionality (e.g., inappropriate or illegal content, gambling and crypto mining functionality).
- (b) Google may adopt neutral user experience requirements that apply to all pre-installed app stores (including Google Play) so long as the purpose of those requirements is to protect the user experience

and the requirements are not designed to disadvantage other app stores.

6.8 OEM Preload of Third-Party App Stores

6.8.1 For a period of at least five (5) years from the Effective Date, Google shall not require its “consent” before an OEM preloads a third-party app store on a Mobile Device; provided, however, that Google may take reasonable steps that are tailored to protect user privacy or security. Google shall not reject a Mobile Device build on the basis of an OEM’s inclusion of a third-party app store on the Mobile Device.

6.8.2 For avoidance of doubt:

- (a) This provision does not prevent Google from enforcing generally applicable policies relating to content and functionality (e.g., inappropriate or illegal content, gambling and crypto mining functionality).
- (b) Google may adopt neutral user experience requirements that apply to all pre-installed app stores (including Google Play) so long as the purpose of those requirements is to protect the user experience and the requirements are not designed to disadvantage other app stores.

6.9 Third-Party App Stores on Android

6.9.1 For a period of at least four (4) years from the Effective Date, Google will maintain functionality in Android such that if a third-party app store is sideloaded on a Mobile Device running on Android version 12+ and the User has allowed app installs from that source, that app store may update apps that it installs without the User needing to approve the updates.



6.9.2 For a period of at least four (4) years from the Effective Date, Google will maintain the following functionality in Android version 14+ for Mobile Devices:

- (a) Google will support APIs that enable sideloaded app stores that have received User consent to install apps to avoid automatic updates taking place while the User is using the app.
- (b) Google will support APIs that allow Users to confirm the installation of apps from a sideloaded app store before the app download begins; i.e., without having to wait until each app's download is complete.
- (c) Preinstalled and sideloaded app stores will be able to maintain exclusive "update rights" to an app that they have installed; *i.e.*, the app store that originated the download may specify that updates to an installed app must come from its store unless the User agrees to allow an update from another source, provided however that Google may permit developers to opt out of this functionality.
- (d) Sideloaded app stores that have received User consent to install apps may install feature splits, which allows for parts of an app to be downloaded on demand when the User decides to use a particular feature of the app. This avoids having to download the full app up-front.

6.10 Sideloading

6.10.1 For a period of at least five (5) years from the Revised Sideloaded Implementation Date, Google will revise Android's Default Sideloaded Flow for new versions of Android on Mobile Devices as follows:

- (a) The Revised Default Sideloaded Flow shall combine into a single screen the following two screens in Android's default sideloading flow: (1) the pop-up with the default text "For your security, your phone currently isn't allowed to install unknown apps from this source. You can change this in Settings" and (2) the subsequent "Install unknown apps" screen that allows the user to enable sideloading from the specified source, such that a User is not required to visit the device's settings to enable sideloading.
- (b) The language in the Revised Default Sideloaded Flow shall be accurate, but may clearly warn Users that there may be risks from sideloading.
- (c) The States agree that Google may use the following language (including foreign translations) or its substantial equivalent: "Your phone currently isn't configured to install apps from this source. Granting this source permission to install apps could place your phone and data at risk."

6.10.2 Nothing in Section 6.10 is intended to restrict Google's ability to continue to innovate on security and privacy related to sideloading; however, to the extent Google maintains a Revised Default Sideloaded Flow in Mobile Devices, any such Google innovations or changes to that default sideloading flow must not materially increase the complexity or burden

of the flow except to the extent necessary to warn Users of legitimate risks of sideloading. For the avoidance of doubt, Google cannot introduce additional material complexity or burden into the Revised Default Sideloading Flow solely because an app was sideloaded, as opposed to being downloaded from Google Play.

6.10.3 This Section 6.10 applies only to the Default Sideloading Flow and Revised Default Sideloading Flow in Mobile Devices and not to other security features such as Google Play Protect or the Advanced Protection Program.

6.11 Anti-Steering

6.11.1 For a period of at least five (5) years from the Effective Date, Google shall allow all developers who choose to participate in Google's User Choice Billing program and offer an alternative in-app billing system, as described in Section 6.3 and subject to the requirements therein, to:

- (a) inform Users within the app about different pricing or promotions that may be available if the User uses the developer's alternative in-app billing system, and;
- (b) allow Users who choose the developer's alternative in-app billing system to complete transactions using the developer's existing web-based billing solution in an embedded webview within its app.

6.11.2 For a period of at least six (6) years from the Effective Date, Google shall continue to allow developers to use contact information obtained outside the app or in-app (with User consent) to communicate with Users out-of-app, including to promote alternatives to Google Play's billing system.

6.11.3 For a period of at least six (6) years from the Effective Date, Google shall allow developers who choose to offer consumption only apps (i.e., apps that do not enable Users to purchase access to digital goods and services from within the app) to provide Users with accurate information within the app that informs Users about purchasing options outside the app including price information (without a hyperlink) (e.g., “Available on our website for \$9.99”).

6.11.4 Google shall allow developers who choose to offer non-consumption only apps (i.e., apps that enable Users to purchase access to digital goods and services from within the app) to provide Users with the same “calls to action” inside their apps that Apple is required to allow as a result of the injunction entered in *Epic v. Apple*.

- (a) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Google is not required to allow developers to include links that take a User outside an app distributed through Google Play to make a purchase and Google’s obligations under this provision shall not exceed the following: allowing developers to provide Users with accurate information within the app that informs Users about purchasing options outside the app, including price information. E.g., “Available on our website for \$9.99.”
- (b) If the commitment in Section 6.11.4 goes into effect, Google will comply 6 months after Apple has complied with the *Epic v. Apple* injunction or 3 months after the Effective Date, whichever is later.
- (c) If the commitment in Section 6.11.4 goes into effect, Google may require developers to adhere to reasonable user experience and security guidelines, so long as those guidelines do not prohibit the

developer from providing the calls to action that Google is required to allow by Section 6.11.4.

- (d) In the event that Google and the States disagree regarding the meaning or implications of the *Epic v. Apple* injunction, they will meet and confer. If they are unable to reach agreement, either side may petition the Court for a determination as to what Google's obligations are with respect to the commitment in Section 6.11.4, except that Google's obligations shall not exceed the limitations specified in Section 6.11.4(a).
- (e) If the commitment in Section 6.11.4 goes into effect, Google will abide by the commitment for a period of at least five (5) years from the date Google complies under Section 6.11.4(b), but in no event shall that period extend more than seven (7) years from the Effective Date.

6.11.5 For a period of at least six (6) years from the Effective Date, Google shall not prohibit developers from disclosing to Users any service or other fees associated with the Google Play or Google Play's billing system. Google may impose certain reasonable design limitations using its developer and User Choice Billing policies, but it may not prevent developers from communicating the existence and amount of any service or other fees.

## 6.12 Compliance

6.12.1 Where these commitments require Google to take or not take any action, Google may not (i) offer any inducement (whether or not monetary) to any third party, (ii) impose a term or condition of accessing a Google product or service, or (iii) make a

technological change, if such inducement, term or condition, or technological change would have the purpose and effect of violating the commitment.

## **7. Independent Compliance Professional**

### **7.1 Independent Compliance Professional**

7.1.1 The ICP shall be named in an addendum to this Settlement Agreement prior to this Settlement being filed with the Court.

7.1.2 If the ICP named in Section 7.1.1 does not finish his or her term as ICP, Google shall propose a new candidate for ICP. Google's proposal shall be subject to approval by the States, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If Google and the States are unable to agree on a new ICP they will submit the matter to a private neutral decision maker for resolution.

### **7.2 Preparation of Compliance Reports**

7.2.1 Google will prepare reports evaluating its compliance with the provisions in Section 6 of this Settlement Agreement. The reports will include an Initial Report, Annual Reports, and a Final Report ("Reports").

7.2.2 Each Report should include, at a minimum, an explanation of any substantive changes or modifications covered by the following provisions of Section 6 of this Settlement Agreement: the reasonable restrictions that are tailored to protect user privacy and security (*see* Sections 6.2.1, 6.7.1, 6.8.1); any program guidelines referenced in this Settlement Agreement (*see* Section 6.3.1); any generally applicable policies relating to content and functionality referenced in Section 6 of this Settlement Agreement (*see* Sections 6.7.2, 6.8.2); any innovations and changes to Android's default sideloading warnings, including screenshots of each warning (*see* Section 6.10.2); the data being collected pursuant to the user-choice billing program (*see* Section 6.3.2); any reasonable user experience and security guidelines referenced

in Section 6 of this Settlement Agreement (*see* Sections 6.3.1(c), 6.3.1(d), 6.11.4); and any design limitations referenced in Section 6 of this Settlement Agreement (*see* section 6.11.5). These explanations should, wherever possible, incorporate the actual language from the guidelines or policies and/or include depictions of any user-facing design elements and/or language.

7.2.3 Google will provide these Reports to the ICP along with documentation reasonably necessary to support its assertions of compliance. The ICP will then evaluate the accuracy of assertions in the Reports.

7.2.4 Google will cooperate fully with the ICP to allow the ICP to fulfill its functions. The ICP may ask Google for information reasonably necessary to evaluate the accuracy of Google's assertions in the Reports, and Google will confer with the ICP on its request and promptly provide information requested by the ICP that is reasonably necessary to evaluate the accuracy of Google's assertions in the Reports including—to the extent reasonably necessary to evaluate the accuracy of Google's assertions in the Reports—information from Google personnel, books and/or records. For avoidance of doubt, nothing in this provision should be read to suggest that the ICP must or should seek information from Google personnel.

7.2.5 The States may refer credible complaints to the ICP if, as a result of those complaints, the States have a good faith basis to believe that Google has materially breached one of the provisions identified in Section 6. The Leadership Committee of the States shall determine in good faith whether the States deem a complaint credible. Any complaint referred to the ICP shall simultaneously be provided to Google. If the ICP agrees that a complaint referred by the States is credible, the ICP may consider the issues raised in the complaint in evaluating

the accuracy of Google's assertions in its next Report. The States reserve all rights to investigate any potential compliance deficiencies directly.

7.2.6 Upon the completion of its review, the ICP shall prepare an addendum (the "ICP Addendum") to Google's Reports that includes (1) the ICP's evaluation regarding Google's assessment of its compliance and (2) the ICP's confirmation that the ICP has consulted with Google and that Google has fully cooperated with the ICP's review.

7.2.7 The Report, along with the ICP Addendum, will be provided to the States.

7.2.8 The Initial Report will be drafted and provided to the ICP within 120 days of the Effective Date. The Annual Report will be drafted and provided to the ICP in 12-month intervals following the issuance of the Initial Report. The Final Report will be submitted to the ICP approximately five (5) years after the Effective Date.

### 7.3 Staffing and Compensation

7.3.1 If it is reasonably necessary for the ICP to retain additional personnel to discharge the ICP's functions, then the ICP may retain personnel who have the appropriate professional qualifications. Any such retention will be subject to Google's approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The personnel retained by the ICP shall not have any conflicts unless the Parties choose to waive any such conflicts. Any conflicts are only attributable to the person who is conflicted and not to the entire firm or institution that employs the conflicted person. For purposes of this Section, a person is presumed to have a conflict if he/she:

- (a) is a current or former employee of Google, Epic Games, or Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof);
- (b) is a current employee of a State or a Potentially Interested Party;



- (c) has been, within the 12 months prior to being retained by the ICP, an employee of a State or a Potentially Interested Party;
- (d) is a current business consultant, or otherwise involved in competitive decision-making, for Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), or a Potentially Interested Party;
- (e) has been, within the 12 months prior to being retained by the ICP, a business consultant, or otherwise involved in competitive decision-making, for Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), a Potentially Interested Party;
- (f) is or has been an expert retained by any party to MDL No. 2981, In re Google Play Store Antitrust Litigation, No. 21-md-2981-JD, in the U.S. litigation or any foreign proceeding;
- (g) at the time of retention, is anticipated to become (1) an employee of Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), a State, or a Potentially Interested Party; (2) a business consultant, or to be otherwise involved in competitive decision making, for Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), or one of a Potentially Interested Party; or (3) an expert for Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), or a State in any U.S. or foreign proceeding on issues related to Google Play or Android.

7.3.2 If the ICP learns that a person he/she has retained is anticipating to become, or has become (1) an employee of Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), or a State; (2) a business consultant, or to be otherwise involved in competitive decision making, for Google, Epic Games, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), or one of Google's competitors; or (3) an expert for Google, Epic, Match Group, Inc. (or subsidiary thereof), or a State on issues related to Google Play or Android, the ICP shall promptly disclose the information to Google and the States.

7.3.3 The ICP is at the cost and expense of Google.

- (a) Google will pay the reasonable compensation and expenses of the ICP and approved persons retained by the ICP that are incurred in performing the ICP's functions under this Settlement Agreement. The ICP will be compensated consistent with rates or fees based on market rates.

#### 7.4 Confidentiality

7.4.1 The ICP and ICP Staff will be subject to a confidentiality agreement drafted by Google and subject to approval by the Leadership Committee of the States, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, that will ensure the following:

- (a) The ICP and ICP Staff will maintain the confidentiality of all information and documents provided by Google ("materials"). Such information shall not be disclosed to anyone other than as specified in the confidentiality agreement or this Settlement Agreement.

- (b) The ICP and ICP Staff shall maintain the materials securely, and Google shall have the right to approve the location and safety measures for storage, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld.
- (c) The ICP and ICP Staff shall destroy all materials at the conclusion of the ICP's retention or the length of the Commitment in Section 6 that such material concerns, whichever is earlier.
- (d) The ICP and ICP Staff may disclose materials if legally required to do so as a result of a Court order, subpoena, or equivalent legal compulsion. But if the ICP or ICP Staff is served with legal process, it shall immediately notify Google and shall give Google an opportunity to object/intervene.

7.4.2 The States agree that all Reports and supporting information, including any ICP Addenda, are highly confidential and cannot be disclosed, other than as may be ordered by a Court in any subsequent proceeding related to this settlement or as otherwise may be required by state law. If a Report or ICP Addendum must be filed with the Court, the States agree that it will be designated "Highly Confidential," and will be placed conditionally under seal in accordance with Local Rule 79-5. To the extent permitted by state law, the States shall treat any Reports and supporting information as exempt from disclosure under the relevant public records laws of each State and shall otherwise refrain from sharing or disclosing such Reports and supporting information. In the event that a State receives a request seeking disclosure of any of the Reports or supporting information described in this Settlement Agreement and believes that such information is subject to disclosure under the relevant laws of

that State, the State agrees to provide Google with at least thirty (30) days advance notice before producing the information, if permitted by the State's laws. For the avoidance of doubt, if state law does not allow a State to provide notice 30 days in advance of disclosure, that State shall provide whatever advance notice, if any, is permitted under the applicable state law. For the further avoidance of doubt, Google may take appropriate action to defend itself against the disclosure of such information.

7.4.3 Google shall not be required to disclose non-public source code or user data containing personally identifiable information absent a showing from the ICP that there is no other feasible way to obtain information reasonably necessary for the ICP to evaluate the accuracy of Google's Reports. Any such information shall be kept strictly confidential and shall be disclosed to the ICP and/or ICP Staff under terms and conditions that ensure the protection of such information.

7.4.4 Under no circumstances shall Google be required to disclose information that is privileged, including under the attorney-client privilege or information that Google is prohibited from disclosing by law.

7.4.5 Google will provide information protected by an NDA only after providing appropriate notice to the NDA counterparty.

7.5 Only Express Authority

7.5.1 The ICP has no authority not expressly provided herein and has no authority to supplant any law of the United States or any State, or the specifics of any order by any court.

7.5.2 The States retain all rights to determine whether they believe a violation of the settlement has occurred and to take whatever action they deem appropriate. The ICP shall not

have the authority to direct Google to make any changes to comply with the Settlement, to alter Google's business practices or policies, or to participate in the business activities or management of Google.

7.6 The ICP will function for five (5) years from the Effective Date. Provisions in Section 6 with shorter durations will not be subject to this ICP provision once they have expired.

## **8. Notice and Settlement Administration**

8.1 The States shall seek appointment of a Settlement Administrator as part of the Notice Approval Order. Subject to Court approval, the Settlement Administrator shall provide settlement notice and administration services, in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement and as ordered by the Court in the Notice Approval Order. As provided in Section 5.4.1, the reasonable costs of notice and the costs of administering the Settlement shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund. Google shall not have any liability to any person or entity for the administration of the Settlement, receiving and responding to any inquiries from Eligible Consumers, or disbursement of the money in the Settlement Fund.

8.2 The Motion for Approval of Notice, as contemplated in Section 10.3, shall include a proposed form of, method for, and date of dissemination of Notice, which shall be drafted by Plaintiffs in consultation with Google.

8.3 Individual notice of the Settlement shall be provided as described in the Motion for Approval of Notice and as approved by the Court, with all expenses paid from the Settlement Fund. The Motion for Approval of Notice shall recite and ask the Court to find that the notice program constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to Eligible Consumers, constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and complies fully with any requirements under federal or state law.

8.4 The Parties agree to propose to the Court at least the following forms and methods of notice to Eligible Consumers:

8.4.1 A copy of the Notice, the Settlement Agreement, the motions for the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, and Court orders pertaining to the Settlement shall be posted and available for download on the Settlement Website maintained by the Settlement Administrator.

8.4.2 The Settlement Administrator shall send a copy of the Summary Notice to the email addresses, to the extent reasonably available, for Eligible Consumers who are or reasonably may be covered by the Settlement. The electronic version of the Summary Notice and Notice shall contain a direct link to the Settlement Website.

8.4.3 To facilitate the distribution of Notice, within thirty (30) days from the date the Motion for Approval of Notice is filed, Google shall provide the Settlement Administrator with the names and email addresses, to the extent reasonably available, for the Eligible Consumers who are or reasonably may be covered by the Settlement.

8.4.4 The names and email addresses disclosed to the Settlement Administrator, as described in Section 8.4.3, shall be provided to the Settlement Administrator solely for the purposes of providing notice, processing requests for exclusion, and administering payment. The Settlement Administrator shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that all such information is used solely for the purpose of administering this Settlement.

8.4.5 The Settlement Administrator shall commence disseminating notice by the Notice Date. If, despite using best efforts, the Settlement Administrator is unable to commence disseminating notice by the Notice Date, the Settlement Administrator shall inform the parties of

the status of the dissemination of notice and notify the parties when dissemination of notice has been commenced.

8.4.6 In addition to the notice required by the Court, the parties may jointly agree to provide additional notice to Eligible Consumers covered by the Settlement.

8.5 If the notice plan proposed in the Motion for Approval of Notice is not approved, or is modified in a material way by the Court, the Parties agree to work together to devise a revised notice plan that effectuates the intent of the Settlement.

## **9. Process for Opting Out of Settlement**

9.1 The Notice shall provide a procedure and an opt-out deadline by which Eligible Consumers covered by the Settlement may exclude themselves from the Settlement. Any Eligible Consumer who does not timely and validly request exclusion shall be bound by the terms of this Settlement. As soon as practicable after the opt-out deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Court and the parties with a list of Eligible Consumers who timely and validly requested exclusion from the Settlement.

## **10. Court Approval**

10.1 The Parties will notify the Court by October 12, 2023 that this Settlement Agreement has been signed and will request that the Court vacate the trial date for the Actions. The Parties agree that the Plaintiffs shall submit this Settlement Agreement to the Court and shall apply for entry of the Notice Approval Order after the Parties have notified the Court that this Settlement Agreement has been signed.

10.2 The Parties agree to recommend approval of the Settlement to the Court as fair and reasonable, and to undertake their best efforts to obtain approval of the Settlement. “Best

efforts” includes that the Parties may not oppose any application for appellate review by one of the Parties in the event the Court denies preliminary or final approval.

10.3 The States shall draft the Motion for Approval of Notice requesting issuance of the Notice Approval Order, and shall provide that draft to Defense Counsel at least seven (7) days prior to filing it.

10.4 In accordance with the schedule set in the Notice Approval Order, the States shall draft the motion for Final Approval Order and Final Judgment and shall provide that draft to Defense Counsel at least seven (7) days before filing such motion with the Court.

10.5 In the event that the Settlement is not approved (following the exhaustion of any appellate review), then (a) this Settlement Agreement shall be null and void and of no force or effect; (b) any payments made to the Settlement Fund Escrow Account and the States’ Monetary Fund Escrow Account, including any and all interest earned thereon less monies expended toward settlement administration, notice, and taxes shall be returned to Google within 45 days from the date the Settlement Agreement becomes null and void; (c) any and all releases in this Settlement Agreement shall be of no force or effect; and (d) neither the Settlement Agreement nor any facts concerning its negotiation, discussion, terms, or documentation shall be referred to or used as evidence or for any other purpose whatsoever in the Actions or in any other action or proceeding. In such event, the Actions will proceed as if no settlement had been attempted; the Parties shall be returned to their respective litigation positions existing on September 5, 2023, so that the Parties may take any litigation steps that they otherwise would have been able to take absent the pendency of this Settlement; and the Parties will discuss whether any adjustments are needed in the schedules for their respective Actions.

## **11. Released Claims and Dismissal of Actions**



11.1 In consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, and as of the Effective Date, each State will be deemed to have fully, finally, and forever released the Released Parties from all Claims that were asserted in the State AG Action or could have been asserted by each State's Attorney General in his or her sovereign capacity as chief law enforcement officer of his or her respective State.

11.2 In further consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, and as of the Effective Date, each State will be deemed to have fully, finally, and forever released the Released Parties from all federal Claims that were asserted in the State AG Action or could have been asserted by or on behalf of any Settlement Consumer, including, but not limited to, Claims brought under 15 U.S.C. §15c.

11.3 In further consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, and as of the Effective Date, to the extent allowable by law, each State will be deemed to have fully, finally, and forever released the Released Parties from all other Claims that were asserted in the State AG Action or could have been asserted by or on behalf of any Settlement Consumer, including, but not limited to, any state law Claims that were asserted or could have been asserted by a State acting as *parens patriae* for consumers in its respective State.

11.4 In further consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, and as of the Effective Date, each Individual Plaintiff and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, representatives, agents, partners, successors, and assigns will be deemed to have fully, finally, and forever released the Released Parties from all Claims that were asserted or could have been asserted by any such Individual Plaintiff.

11.5 Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to the States only, the releases in this Settlement do not include a claim asserted by a State that is currently pending against Google in:

11.5.1 *State of Colorado, et al. v. Google LLC*, No. 1:20-cv-03715-APM (D.D.C.);

11.5.2 *State of Ohio ex rel. Yost v. Google LLC*, No. 21 CVH 06 0274 (Delaware County (Ohio) Court of Common Pleas);

11.5.3 *State of Texas v. Google LLC*, No. 22-01-88230-D (377th Judicial District Court, Victoria County, Texas);

11.5.4 *State of Texas v. Google LLC*, No. CV-58999 (385th Judicial District Court, Midland County, Texas);

11.5.5 *State of Texas, et al. v. Google LLC*, No. 1:21-cv-06841-PKC (S.D.N.Y.); *State of Texas, et al. v. Google LLC*, No. 4:20-cv-00957 (E.D. Tx.); *In re Google Dig. Advert. Antitrust Litig.*, MDL No. 3010;

11.5.6 *United States of America, et al. v. Google LLC*, No. 1-20-cv-03010 (D.D.C.);

11.5.7 *United States et al v. Google LLC*, 1:23-cv-00108-LMB-JFA (E.D. Va.);

11.5.8 Any ongoing investigation where Google has received civil investigatory demands, subpoenas or other compulsory process from any State. For avoidance of doubt, this carveout does not affect a release of (1) the claims actually asserted in the Actions and (2) claims that could have been asserted and arise from the identical factual predicate of claims in the Actions.

11.6 For avoidance of doubt, the releases in this Settlement do not include consumer protection claims, antitrust claims, or non-antitrust claims that do not arise from the factual

allegations or claims in the Actions. Nothing herein precludes law enforcement or the State from pursuing any law enforcement action with respect to any unrelated acts or practices not covered by this Settlement Agreement.

11.7 Covenant Not to Sue:

11.7.1 In further consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, as of the Effective Date, each State's Attorney General covenants and agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, that he or she shall not hereafter seek to sue the Released Parties on any Released Claim on behalf of the Attorney General or any other person or entity or class thereof.

11.7.2 In further consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, as of the effective date, each Individual Plaintiff covenants and agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, that he or she shall not hereafter seek to sue the Released Parties on any Released Claim on behalf of himself or herself or any other person or entity or class thereof.

11.8 In further consideration of the monetary provisions and commitments contained in this Settlement Agreement, it is the intent of the Parties that the Final Approval Order shall be deemed *res judicata* as to any such Released Claim.

11.9 After entering into this Settlement, the Settlement Consumers and/or Plaintiffs may discover facts other than, different from, or in addition to, those that they know or believe to be true with respect to the Claims released by this Settlement, but they intend to release fully, finally and forever any and all such Claims. This provision shall not expand the scope of the Released Claims into a general release. The Settlement Consumers and Plaintiffs expressly agree

that, upon the Effective Date, they waive and forever release any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by:

(a) Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

**A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.**

(b) any law of any state, territory, or possession of the United States (or for any non-U.S. entity or person, their respective country, province, or state), or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to Section 1542 of the California Civil Code.

11.10 Upon the Effective Date, it is the intent of the Parties that the Actions shall be dismissed with prejudice. The Leadership Committee for the States and Consumer Counsel shall have the responsibility for ensuring that the Actions are dismissed with prejudice in accordance with the terms of this Settlement.

11.11 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the release shall not include any claims relating to the continued enforcement of the Settlement or the Stipulated Third Amended Protective Order, ECF No. 249 (May 25, 2022), or any other operative protective order in the Actions.

11.12 The Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purposes of construction, modification, and enforcement of this Settlement Agreement. In the event that any applications for relief are made, such applications shall be made to the Court. To avoid doubt, the Final Judgment applies

to and is binding upon the Parties, the Settlement Consumers, and their respective heirs, successors, and assigns.

## **12. Statements Regarding Liability; Use of Settlement Agreement in Future**

### **Proceedings**

12.1 Google has indicated that, absent this settlement, it intends to vigorously contest each and every Claim in the Actions, and Google denies all of the material allegations in the Actions. Google enters into this Settlement Agreement without in any way acknowledging any fault, liability, or wrongdoing of any kind. Google nevertheless has decided to enter into this Settlement to avoid further expense, inconvenience, and the distraction of burdensome and costly litigation; to obtain the releases, orders, and judgment contemplated by this Settlement Agreement; and to provide users and developers more flexibility and choice while protecting user safety and security, maintaining Google's ability to invest in the Android ecosystem, and ensuring Google's ability to compete effectively with other platforms, including iOS.

12.2 The States and Individual Plaintiffs indicate that, absent this settlement, they intend to vigorously prosecute each and every Claim in the Actions and prove all material allegations in the Actions. The States and Individual Plaintiffs enter into this Settlement Agreement while maintaining that Google was at fault, liable and committed all the wrongdoing alleged in the Actions. The States and Individual Plaintiffs nevertheless have decided to enter into this Settlement to avoid further expense, inconvenience, and the distraction of burdensome and costly litigation; to obtain the relief, orders, and judgment contemplated by this Settlement Agreement; and to provide users and developers more flexibility and choice while protecting user safety and security, maintaining Google's ability to invest in the Android ecosystem, and

ensuring Google's ability to compete effectively with other platforms, including iOS, all of which are accomplished by the Settlement Agreement.

12.3 Neither this Settlement Agreement, nor any of its terms or provisions, nor any of the negotiation or proceedings connected with it, shall be construed as an admission or concession by Google of the truth of any of the allegations in the Actions, or of any liability, fault, or wrongdoing of any kind.

12.4 To the extent permitted by law, this Settlement Agreement may be pleaded as a full and complete defense to, and may be used as the basis for an injunction against, any action, suit, or other proceeding which may be instituted, prosecuted, or attempted for Claims, causes of action, and/or theories of relief covered by the covenant not to sue and/or the releases in this Settlement Agreement.

### **13. Modification or Termination of the Settlement**

13.1 Google or the States may, at its sole discretion, terminate this Settlement Agreement if the number of Eligible Consumers who seek exclusion from the Settlement exceeds ten percent (10%) of the total number of Eligible Consumers covered by the Settlement.

13.2 The terms and provisions of this Settlement Agreement may be amended, modified, or expanded by written agreement of the Parties and approval of the Court; provided, however, that after entry of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, the Parties may by written agreement effect such amendments, modifications, or expansions of this Settlement Agreement and its implementing documents (including all exhibits) without further notice to Settlement Consumers or approval by the Court if such changes are consistent with the Court's Final Approval Order and Final Judgment and do not materially alter, reduce, or limit the rights of Settlement Consumers.

13.3 If any of the non-monetary terms of the Settlement Agreement are affected by a change in legislation, regulation, law, court or agency order, or any material change in circumstances (e.g., a material, legitimate change in business model), Google and the States agree to meet and confer in good faith regarding an appropriate modification of the Settlement Agreement. If Google and the States cannot agree on a modification, each side reserves the right to petition the Court for a change to the Settlement Agreement.

13.4 In the event the terms or conditions of this Settlement Agreement, other than terms pertaining to the Distribution Plan, are materially modified by any court, the States and/or Google may within thirty (30) days of such material modification, declare this Settlement null and void as provided in Section 10.5. For purposes of this paragraph, material modifications include any modifications to the definitions of the Released Parties, the scope of the releases (as provided in Section 11), the amount of monetary relief (as provided in Section 5), and the terms of the commitments (as provided in Section 6). In the event of any modification by any court, and in the event the Parties do not exercise their options to withdraw from this Settlement, the Parties shall meet and confer within fourteen (14) days of such modification to attempt to reach an agreement as to how best to effectuate the court-ordered modification.

13.5 If the Effective Date is not reached, this Settlement Agreement is without prejudice to the rights of any party hereto, and all terms, negotiations, and proceedings connected therewith shall not be deemed or construed to be an admission by any Party or evidence of any kind in these Actions or any other action or proceeding.

#### **14. Notices**

14.1 All notices to the States shall be delivered via electronic mail (or if undeliverable via electronic mail, via overnight delivery) to:

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14.4 Notice recipients and addresses designated in Section 14 may be changed upon written notice provided to all individuals identified in that Section.

## **15. Miscellaneous**

15.1 Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be interpreted to prohibit, require, or endorse Google charging a service fee related to apps distributed through Google Play.

15.2 Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be construed to limit or control the unilateral discretion of any OEM to decide how it configures its Mobile Devices.

15.3 Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be construed to limit or control how Google configures its own Mobile Devices (e.g., Pixel) including, but not limited to, modifying the version of Android installed on such Mobile Devices, selecting which apps or app stores to preload on such Mobile Devices, and how or whether to permit sideloading on such Mobile Devices.

15.4 Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall apply to form factors other than Mobile Devices.

15.5 The use of headings in this Settlement Agreement is only for ease of reference. The headings have no legal effect and are not to be considered part of this Settlement Agreement.

15.6 This Settlement Agreement may not be amended or modified in any respect except upon the written consent of the Parties, provided that any amendment or modification to

Sections 6 and 7 of this Settlement Agreement needs written consent of Google and the States alone.

15.7 With respect to the provisions in Sections 6 and 7 of this Settlement Agreement, the States shall be the parties with the authority to seek to enforce these provisions in Court or otherwise. The Individual Plaintiffs shall not have authority to enforce these provisions and shall rely on the States for any enforcement.

15.8 The undersigned each represent and warrant that each has authority to enter into this Settlement Agreement on behalf of the Party indicated below his or her name.

15.9 Individual Plaintiffs represent and warrant that they have not assigned or transferred, or purported to assign or transfer, to any person or entity, any claim or any portion thereof or interest therein, including, but not limited to, any interest in the Consumer Action or any related action.

15.10 The Parties have jointly participated in the drafting of this Settlement Agreement. No Party hereto shall be considered the drafter of this Settlement Agreement or any provision hereof for the purpose of any statute, case law or rule of interpretation or construction that would or might cause any provision to be construed against the drafter hereof.

15.11 As used in this Settlement Agreement, the masculine, feminine, or neutral gender, and the singular or plural wording, shall each be deemed to include the others whenever the context so indicates.

15.12 Unless otherwise noted, all references to “days” in this Settlement Agreement shall be to calendar days. In the event any date or deadline set forth in this Settlement Agreement falls on a weekend or federal legal holiday, such date or deadline shall be on the first business day thereafter that is not a federal legal holiday.

15.13 Google shall not be liable for any additional fees or expenses of the Plaintiffs or any Eligible Consumer in connection with or related to the Actions. Google agrees that it will not seek to recover its attorneys' fees, expenses, or costs from the Plaintiffs after the Effective Date.

15.14 Any and all disputes arising from or related to this Settlement Agreement must be brought by the Parties and/or Settlement Consumers exclusively to the Court. The Parties and Settlement Consumers irrevocably submit to the exclusive and continuing jurisdiction of the Court for any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this Settlement Agreement unless otherwise noted herein. All terms of this Settlement Agreement and any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted according to the substantive laws of the State of California without regard to choice of law or conflicts of laws principles; however, nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall operate as a waiver of any Party's position regarding the applicable law governing the underlying claims at issue in the Actions.

15.15 Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the Parties may jointly agree to reasonable extensions of time to carry out any of the provisions of this Settlement Agreement.

15.16 Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall alter or abrogate any prior Court orders entered in the Actions.

15.17 This Settlement Agreement may be executed in counterparts. Facsimile or PDF signatures shall be considered valid as of the date they bear.

15.18 The Parties, together with the Leadership Committee of the States, Consumer Counsel and Defense Counsel, agree to prepare and execute all documents, to seek Court

approvals, to defend Court approvals, and to do all things reasonably necessary to complete the Settlement.

15.19 This Settlement Agreement is executed voluntarily by each of the Parties without any duress or undue influence on the part, or on behalf, of any of them. The Parties represent and warrant to each other that they have read and fully understand the provisions of this Settlement Agreement and have relied on the advice and representation of legal counsel of their own choosing.

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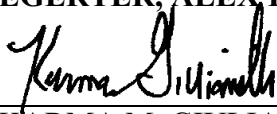
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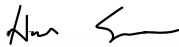


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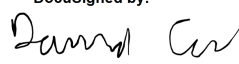
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