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May 17, 2019

Rialto City Clerk 150 S. Palm Ave. Rialto, CA 92376

Via Certified Mail-Return Receipt Requested

Re:

Government Claim for Damages

Grace Reyes

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed please find a Claim for Damages to Person or Property regarding Grace Reyes. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

LAW OFFICES OF JUSTIN H. KING

Justin H. King

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# **CITY OF RIALTO** LIABILITY

## **CLAIM FOR DAMAGES TO PERSON OR PROPERTY**

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- 1. Claims for death, injury to person, or to personal property must be filed not later than six (6) months after the occurrence (Gov. Code §911.2).
- 2. Claims for damages to real property must be filed not later than one (1) year after the occurrence (Gov. Code §911.2).
- 3. READ ENTIRE CLAIM FOR BEFORE FILING
- 4.ATTACH SEPARATE SHEETS, IF NECESSARY, TO GIVE FULL DETAILS

**RETURN TO:** 

Rialto City Clerk's Office Mail: 150 S. Palm Ave., Rialto, CA 92376 Address: 290 W. Rialto Ave., Rialto, CA 92376

CLAIMANT INFORMATION:
Grace Reyes
FULL NAME DATE OF BIRTH
Rialto, Ca. 92376
HOME ADDRESS INCLUDING CITY, STATE & ZIP  HOME TELEPHONE NO.
BUSINESS ADDRESS INCLUDING CITY, STATE & ZIP  BUSINESS ADDRESS INCLUDING CITY, STATE & ZIP  BUSINESS ADDRESS INCLUDING CITY, STATE & ZIP
ADDRESS AT WHICH CLAIMANT DESIRES TO RECEIVE  NOTICES OR COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THIS CLAIM  ADDRESS AT WHICH CLAIMANT DESIRES TO RECEIVE  NOTICES OR COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THIS CLAIM
(if different from home address provided above):
1. WHEN DID DAMAGE OR INJURY OCCUR? DATE: 1 20/18 TIME: AMDEPM
2. PLACE OF ACCIDENT (OCCURRENCE) BE SPECIFIC – Describe fully and (if applicable) locate on diagram on reverse side of this sheet.
Where appropriate, give street names and addresses, measurements and landmarks.
Sidewalk outside Alberto's Mexican Restaurant located
at 1169 N. Riverside Aux Rialto, Ca. 97376
(Sex Attacho)
3. HOW DID DAMAGE OR INJURY OCCUR?
Tripped are raised sidewalk.
(Str Attrohed)
4. WERE POLICE AT THE SCENE? YES NO WERE PARAMEDICS AT THE SCENE? YES NO
5. WHAT PARTICULAR ACT OR OMISSION DO YOU CLAIM CAUSED THE INJURY OR DAMAGES? Give the name of the city/town employee causing the injury or damage, if known.
(Sex Attachment)
6. GIVE TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM Include estimate of amount of any prospective injury or damage \$3,000,000
HOW WAS THE ABOVE AMOUNT COMPUTED? Be specific, list doctor bills, repair estimates, etc. Please attach 2 estimates.
DAMAGES INCURRED TO DATE:
Item/Date:(See Attached) Amount: \$
Item/Date: Amount: \$

STIMATED PROSPECTIVE DAMAGES, AS FAR AS KNOWN:			1 10 1000	
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TOTAL ESTIMATED AMOUNT PROSPECTIVE		\$		
WITNESSES TO DAMAGE OR INJURY List all persons known				
IME: Pudy Reyes				
Rialto, Ca. 92376	ADDRESS:			
LEPHONE: ( )	TELEPHONE: ()			
IF INJURED, PROVIDE NAME, CONTACT INFORMATION AN	ND DATE/TIME DOCTOR(S) OR	HOSPITAL(S) VISITED:		
ME:	NAME:			
DDRESS:	ADDRESS:			
ELEPHONE: ()				
ATE: TIME: AM □ PM	DATE:	TIME:	□ AM □ PM	
PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY:				
CURB	Y SIDEWALK		CITY OF RIALTO 19 MAY 20 PM 5: 18 RECEIVED	
I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING CLAIM AND KNOW THE CONTENTS THE THOSE MATTERS WHICH ARE HEREIN STATED UPON MY INFORMATIO  I CERTIFY (OR DECLARE) UNDER PENALTY OF	ON AND BELIEF; AND AS TO THOSE MA	TTERS I BELIEVE THEM TO BE	TRUE.	
SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT OR AGENT  TYPE OR PRINT NAME  Attornay		5/17/19 DATE	)	
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RELATIONSHIP TO CLAIMANT				
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### ATTACHMENT GOVERNMENT CLAIM FORM

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#### 2. Location of the incident.

The incident occurred on Riverside Avenue on the sidewalk out in front outside Alberto's Medican Restaurant on City of Rialto property just up from a City of Rialto buss stop. The rough area where it occurred is on the sidewalk out in front of 1169 N. Riverside Ave. Rialto, Ca. 92376.

### 3. Describe the specific damage or injury.

Personal Injuries: Fractured humurous. She has suffered pain and suffering and emotional distress damages and has been out of work due to her physical injuries for months. Further, her future earning capacity is diminished and her ability to do things involving this body part will be impaired for the remainder of her life.

### 5. What particular act or omission do you claim caused the injury or damages.

This personal injury claim arises out of a November 20, 2018 trip and fall (hereinafter referred to as the "subject accident") due to a raised sidewalk square in the area described above..

At all relevant times, the City of Rialto owned and controlled the sidewalk at which the aforementioned accident took place. At the time of the accident, plaintiff was acting in a reasonably foreseeable manner, walking on the sidewalk, yet the sidewalk created a substantial risk of injury to Claimant. At all relevant times, the City of Rialto had actual and constructive notice that the sidewalk was dangerous when used in a reasonably foreseeable manner. Further, at all relevant times the City of Rialto had the power to prevent, remedy or guard against the dangerous conditions of the sidewalk and had a legal duty to do so. The City failed to prevent, remedy or guard against the dangerous conditions of the sidewalk and, as a result, such dangerous conditions proximately caused substantial and reasonably foreseeable personal injuries to Claimant Grace Reyes.

The City of Rialto was on notice that the sidewalk was dangerous in sufficient time prior to the Subject Accident to have taken measures to protect against the dangerous conditions, yet the City of Rialto failed to take adequate protective measures. To the extent the City of Rialto had taken protective measures to protect against the dangerousness of the sidewalk prior to the Subject Accident, these protective measures were inadequate and unreasonable when viewed in light of the time and opportunity the

City had to take action. These protective measures were also inadequate and unreasonable when the probability and gravity of potential injury to persons and property foreseeably exposed to the risk of injury is viewed against the practicability and cost of protecting against the risk of such injuries.

The sidewalk, and its raised concrete section created a substantial and unaceptable protrusion and trip hazard and constituted a dangerous condition because, among other things, the concrete "lip" was too high and the area was not well lit, and thus there was a trip hazard, especially at night, and when people are looking ahead of them, as is foreseeable when walking on a sidewalk. Claimant reserves the right to allege that the area was dangerous in other ways, upon additional investigation.

The above-mentioned dangerous conditions were a legal and proximate cause of Claimant's substantial and reasonably foreseeable personal injuries. The full extent of Claimant's personal injuries and other damages are still being ascertained. Further, Claimant reserves the right to add to the factual basis as to why the State of California is responsible as additional information is available. Investigation and Discovery continue in this matter.

All Notices regarding this claim can be sent to plaintiff's counsel at 8301 Utica Avenue, Suite 101, Rancho Cucamonga, Ca. 91730. Phone number 909-297-5001; Fax 909-297-5126 and email at jking@justinkinglaw.com.

### 6. Explain how you calculated the amount.

Plaintiff suffered fractures in 3 places to her humerous. The past and future medical specials, past loss of earnings; loss of earning capacity, special needs expenses required by someone with a talus humerous fracture and other damages that accompany claimant's personal injuries.



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