

San Francisco County Superior Court

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A.,

Plaintiff,

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JOHNSON CHIU, et al.,

Defendants.

JOHNSON CHIU,

Cross-Complainant,

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CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A., a national banking association, and ROES 1 through 10, inclusive,

Cross-Defendants.

CASE NO. CGC-11-515719

The Hon. Kay Tsenin Dept. **§**04

JUDGMENT

Complaint filed: November 7, 2011 Trial Date: November 13, 2012

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TO EACH PARTY AND ITS COUNSEL OF RECORD:

This matter came on for a bench trial before the Honorable Kay Tsenin in Department 504 of this Court on November 13, 2012 and concluded on November 14, 2012. Plaintiff and Cross-Defendant Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. ("Capital One") appeared through its counsel of record, Hunter R. Eley and Amy I. Borlund with the law firm of Doll Amir & Eley LLP. Defendant and Cross-Complainant Johnson Chiu ("Chiu") appeared through his counsel of record, Raeon Roulston with the Consumer Law Firm, Inc.

The Court, having heard and considered the testimony and evidence, and having read and considered the parties' trial briefs and arguments relating thereto, and good cause appearing, rules in favor of Plaintiff and Cross-Defendant Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. and against Defendant and Cross-Complainant Johnson Chiu on both the Complaint and the Cross-Complaint. Specifically, the Court finds that, with respect to the Complaint, Capital One demonstrated at trial that Chiu incurred a debt of \$3,852.84 for which Chiu is liable to Capital One on common count theories. The Court also finds that, with respect to the Cross-Complaint, Chiu did not demonstrate any violation of the Rosenthal Fair Debt Collections Practices Act (Cal. Civ. Code § 1788 et seq.).

Specifically, the Court finds that Chiu applied for his Capital One credit card account electronically on or about October 23, 2004 through an application requiring an electronic signature; that Chiu used the credit card to make purchases; that Chiu made payments on the credit card account for more than three years; that Chiu received monthly billing statements indicating transactions, fees and payments; that Chiu's last transaction on the credit card occurred on March 1, 2008; that Capital One sent a statement to Chiu in September 2008 that Chiu never paid; and that Chiu's credit card account charged off on October 20, 2008. Capital One filed its Complaint seeking recovery on Chiu's credit card account on November 7, 2011. Chiu contends that the Complaint was filed beyond the three-year statute of limitations in Virginia for unwritten contracts. The Court, however, finds that the agreement between Capital One and Chiu was in writing and, as such, rules that Capital One's filing of the Complaint in this action was not barred by the statute of limitations.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that:

- Judgment is entered in favor of Plaintiff Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. and against
 Defendant Johnson Chiu on the Complaint in this action in the amount of \$3,852.84;
- Judgment is entered in favor of Cross-Defendant Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. and against Cross-Complainant Johnson Chiu on the Cross-Complaint in this action, as Capital One's Complaint was not filed outside the applicable statute of limitations; and
- As the prevailing party, and upon timely filing of a memorandum of costs, Plaintiff and Cross-Defendant Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. is entitled to an award of reasonable costs.

DATE: 12/20/2012

Hon Kay Tsenin

Judge of the Superior Court



Superior Court of California County of San Francisco

Capital One Bank (USA), N.A.	Case Number: CGC-11-515719
Plaintiff,	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (CCP 1013a (4))
Versus	(001 10134 (1))
Johnson Chiu	
Defendant,	

I, Kevin Lee, a Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court of the City and County of San Francisco, certify that I am not a party to the within action.

On **December 21, 2012** I served the attached **Judgment** by placing a copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed as follows:

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and, I then placed the addressed, postage paid, sealed envelopes in the outgoing mail at 400 McAllister Street, San Francisco, CA 94102 on the date indicated above for collection, and mailing on that date following standard court practices.

Dated: December 21, 2012

T. Michael Yuen, Clerk

Kevin Lee, Deputy Clerk