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9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
10 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA—WESTERN DIVISION

11 ALI ASGHARI, DANIEL TRAN, YUNG
12 KIM, ARA DERSARKISSIAN, and
13 KATRINA NOBLE, individually, and on
14 behalf of a class of similarly situated
15 individuals,

16 Plaintiffs,

17 vs.

18 VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA,
19 INC., VOLKSWAGEN AG, AND AUDI
20 AG,

21 Defendants.

Case No.: CV13-02529-MMM-(JEMx)

CLASS ACTION

Honorable Margaret M. Morrow

**DECLARATION OF ARA
DERSARKISSIAN IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR FINAL
APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION
SETTLEMENT; AND FOR AN AWARD
OF ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND
EXPENSES, AND ENHANCEMENT
AWARDS TO CLASS
REPRESENTATIVES**

Date: May 4, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Courtroom 780

Complaint Filed: May 1, 2012
Date of Transfer: April 10, 2013
Trial Date: None set

1 10. I gave serious consideration to the decision to file a class action lawsuit against
2 Volkswagen. My attorney explained to me and I understood that I was to represent a nationwide class
3 of vehicle owners, and that it would be my duty to protect the interests of all members of that class,
4 and when necessary, uphold their interests higher than my own individual interest. I was advised of
5 the risks associated with filing such a lawsuit and of the time commitment I needed to make to see it
6 to completion. Having weighed the totality of factors, I felt compelled to step forward as a class
7 representative and seek a remedy on behalf of me and the class.

8 11. Throughout the litigation, my attorney and I regularly communicated regarding the
9 status of the case. I was always available and willing and did in fact offer my input and assisted my
10 attorney in gathering the evidence necessary to prosecute the class claims.

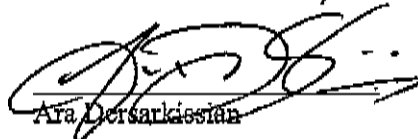
11 12. During the settlement negotiation process my attorney and I discussed possible
12 alternatives and I was engaged in the decision making and the evaluation of the terms of the final
13 settlement agreement. The final settlement terms are fair and appropriate for the class members who
14 will finally receive a proper remedy.

15 13. I believe that I have fairly represented the absent class members and herein request that
16 the Court approve this settlement, confirm me as a class representative, and grant the request for
17 attorneys' fees and cost in this case.

18 14. I am not aware of any conflicts of interest that prevent me from being confirmed as a
19 class representative in this lawsuit. I am not related in any way to my attorney or to any other member
20 of the firm that is representing me. I have no business dealings or other involvement beyond this
21 lawsuit and this representation. I have not been promised any money or inducement to serve as class
22 representative in this action.

23 15. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that
24 the foregoing is true and correct.

25 Executed on FEBRUARY 26, 2015 in LOS ANGELES, CA.

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Ara Dersarkissian