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9 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
10 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

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12 _____, Individually and on Behalf of
All Others Similarly Situated,

13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 INTEL CORPORATION, PAT GELSINGER,
16 and DAVID ZINSNER,

17 Defendants.

Case No. DRAFT

**CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT FOR
VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL
SECURITIES LAWS**

1 Plaintiff _____ (“Plaintiff”), individually and on behalf of all others similarly
2 situated, by and through his attorneys, alleges the following upon information and belief, except as
3 to those allegations concerning Plaintiff, which are alleged upon personal knowledge. Plaintiff’s
4 information and belief is based upon, among other things, his counsel’s investigation, which
5 includes without limitation: (a) review and analysis of regulatory filings made by Intel Corporation
6 (“Intel” or the “Company”) with the United States (“U.S.”) Securities and Exchange Commission
7 (“SEC”); (b) review and analysis of press releases and media reports issued by and disseminated by
8 Intel; and (c) review of other publicly available information concerning Intel.

9 **NATURE OF THE ACTION AND OVERVIEW**

10 1. This is a class action on behalf of persons and entities that purchased or otherwise
11 acquired Intel securities between January 25, 2024 and April 25, 2024, inclusive (the “Class
12 Period”). Plaintiff pursues claims against the Defendants under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
13 (the “Exchange Act”).

14 2. Intel designs, develops, manufactures, markets, and sells computing and related
15 products and services worldwide. The Company’s product portfolio is comprised of central
16 processing units (CPUs), chipsets, processors, graphics processing units (GPUs), and other
17 semiconductor products. It also offers silicon devices and software products; and optimization
18 solutions for workloads, such as AI, cryptography, security, storage, and networking.

19 3. On March 23, 2021, Chief Executive Officer Pat Gelsinger laid out his vision for the
20 future of the Company under a program he dubbed “IDM 2.0.”¹ To deliver on this vision, the
21 Company announced it would reconfigure and would now be operating through the following
22 reportable segments: Client Computing Group, Data Center and AI, Network and Edge, Mobileye,
23 and Intel Foundry Services (“IFS”). IFS was created to encompass the Company’s packaging and
24 process technology. Beginning in the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2022, The Company utilized these
25 segments to report revenue. Then, on October 11, 2022, Chief Executive Officer, Pat Gelsinger
26 (“Gelsinger”) announced the Company would shift to an “internal foundry model” (the “Internal
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28 ¹ Integrated Device Manufacturing (“IDM”).

1 Foundry” or “Foundry” model). Under the Internal Foundry model, Intel would recognize revenues
2 generated from both external foundry customers and Intel Products, as well as technology
3 development and product manufacturing costs historically allocated to Intel Products. On June 21,
4 2023, the Company provided an update on the Foundry model, explaining that, beginning in the first
5 quarter of 2024, the Company would separate out all manufacturing services into a separate group,
6 inclusive of IFS, manufacturing, and technology development, to form the Foundry, and implement
7 a new financial reporting structure to recognize this reorganization, under which Foundry would be
8 responsible for its own reportable profit and losses (“P&Ls”). The Company emphasized the cost
9 saving and margin improving benefits the Internal Foundry model would provide and the tailwind
10 it would bring to IFS.

11 4. On April 2, 2024, after the markets closed, Intel issued a press release which
12 disclosed a retrospective revision of the Company’s financial results under the new Foundry model
13 reporting structure, revealing that the Foundry segment experienced an operating loss of \$7 billion
14 on sales of \$18.9 billion in 2023, that Foundry revenue in 2023 was \$18.9 billion down \$8.6 billion
15 from 2022, that that the segment’s operating loss included a \$2.1 million in lower product profit
16 driven by lower internal revenue.

17 5. On this news, Intel’s stock price fell \$3.61, or 8.2%, to close at \$40.33 per share on
18 April 3, 2024, on unusually heavy trading.

19 6. On April 25, 2024, after the markets closed, Intel released its first quarter 2024
20 financial results, the first quarter reporting the Company’s results under the Foundry model; the
21 results revealed the Company’s Foundry segment declined 10% compared to the same quarter last
22 year, to a revenue of \$4.4 billion.

23 7. On this news, Intel’s stock price fell \$3.23, or 9.2%, to close at \$31.88 per share on
24 April 26, 2024, on unusually heavy trading.

25 8. Throughout the Class Period, Defendants made materially false and/or misleading
26 statements, as well as failed to disclose material adverse facts about the Company’s business,
27 operations, and prospects. Specifically, Defendants failed to disclose to investors: (1) the growth of
28 Intel Foundry Services was not indicative of revenue growth reportable under the Internal Foundry

1 segment; (2) the Foundry experienced significant operating losses in 2023; (3) that the Foundry
2 experienced a decline in product profit driven by lower internal revenue; (4) as a result the Foundry
3 model would not be a strong tailwind to the Company's IFS strategy; and (5) that, as a result of the
4 foregoing, Defendants' positive statements about the Company's business, operations, and
5 prospects were materially misleading and/or lacked a reasonable basis.

6 9. As a result of Defendants' wrongful acts and omissions, and the precipitous decline
7 in the market value of the Company's securities, Plaintiff and other Class members have suffered
8 significant losses and damages.

9 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

10 10. The claims asserted herein arise under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act
11 (15 U.S.C. §§ 78j(b) and 78t(a)) and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by the SEC (17 C.F.R. §
12 240.10b-5).

13 11. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
14 § 1331 and Section 27 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 78aa).

15 12. Venue is proper in this Judicial District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and Section
16 27 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 78aa(c)). Substantial acts in furtherance of the alleged fraud
17 or the effects of the fraud have occurred in this Judicial District. Many of the acts charged herein,
18 including the dissemination of materially false and/or misleading information, occurred in
19 substantial part in this Judicial District. In addition, the Company's principal executive offices are
20 located in this District.

21 13. In connection with the acts, transactions, and conduct alleged herein, Defendants
22 directly and indirectly used the means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce, including the
23 United States mail, interstate telephone communications, and the facilities of a national securities
24 exchange.

25 **PARTIES**

26 14. Plaintiff _____, as set forth in the accompanying certification, incorporated
27 by reference herein, purchased Intel securities during the Class Period, and suffered damages as a
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1 result of the federal securities law violations and false and/or misleading statements and/or material
2 omissions alleged herein.

3 15. Defendant Intel is incorporated under the laws of Delaware with its principal
4 executive offices located in Santa Clara, California. Intel's common stock trades on the NASDAQ
5 exchange under the symbol "INTC."

6 16. Defendant Pat Gelsinger ("Gelsinger") was the Company's Chief Executive Officer
7 ("CEO") at all relevant times.

8 17. Defendant David Zinsner ("Zinsner") was the Company's Chief Financial Officer
9 ("CFO") at all relevant times.

10 18. Defendants Gelsinger and Zinsner (collectively the "Individual Defendants"),
11 because of their positions with the Company, possessed the power and authority to control the
12 contents of the Company's reports to the SEC, press releases and presentations to securities analysts,
13 money and portfolio managers and institutional investors, i.e., the market. The Individual
14 Defendants were provided with copies of the Company's reports and press releases alleged herein
15 to be misleading prior to, or shortly after, their issuance and had the ability and opportunity to
16 prevent their issuance or cause them to be corrected. Because of their positions and access to
17 material non-public information available to them, the Individual Defendants knew that the adverse
18 facts specified herein had not been disclosed to, and were being concealed from, the public, and that
19 the positive representations which were being made were then materially false and/or misleading.
20 The Individual Defendants are liable for the false statements pleaded herein.

21 **SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS**

22 **Background**

23 19. Intel designs, develops, manufactures, markets, and sells computing and related
24 products and services worldwide. The Company's product portfolio is comprised of central
25 processing units, chipsets, processors, graphics processing units (GPUs), and other semiconductor
26 products. It also offers silicon devices and software products; and optimization solutions for
27 workloads, such as AI, cryptography, security, storage, and networking.

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1 FY2023 Press Release reported the success of the Company’s business unit revenue, including Intel
2 Foundry Services, which was reported as follows:

Business Unit Revenue and Trends	Q4 2023	vs. Q4 2022	2023	vs. 2022
Client Computing Group (CCG)	\$8.8 billion	up33%	\$29.3 billion	down 8%
Data Center and AI (DCAI)	\$4.0 billion	down10%	\$15.5 billion	down 20%
Network and Edge (NEX)	\$1.5 billion	down24%	\$5.8 billion	down 31%
Mobileye	\$637 million	up13%	\$2.1 billion	up 11%
Intel Foundry Services (IFS)	\$291 million	up63%	\$952 million	up103%

6 22. The FY2023 Press Release included the following comment of Defendant Zinsner,
7 Intel CFO:

8 We continued to drive operational efficiencies in the fourth quarter, and comfortably
9 achieved our commitment to deliver \$3 billion in cost savings in 2023. *We expect to*
10 *unlock further efficiencies in 2024 and beyond as we implement our new internal*
11 *foundry model, which is designed to drive greater transparency and accountability*
12 *and higher returns on our owners’ capital.”*

11 23. On January 25, 2024, the Company hosted a conference call concerning the full year
12 2023 financial results during which Defendant Gelsinger stated, in relevant part:

13 *we expect sequential and year-on-year growth in both revenue and EPS for each*
14 *quarter of fiscal year '24.*

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16 *Third-party engagements with IFS continue to validate our progress on process*
17 *technology. We launched IFS with a long-term view of delivering the world's first*
18 *system foundry that brings together a secure and sustainable supply chain with the*
19 *best of Intel and our ecosystem.*

20 While our ambitions will not materialize overnight, *we made tremendous progress*
21 *in both Q4 and fiscal year '23 towards our goal of becoming the second largest*
22 *external foundry by 2030.* The rapid adoption of AI by all industries is proving to be
23 a significant tailwind for IFS as high-performance compute, an area where we have
24 considerable wafer and packaging know-how and IP is now one of the largest,
25 fastest-growing segments of the semiconductor market.

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27 *Our success with IFS will be measured by customer commitments and revenue.*
28 We have taped out more than 75 ecosystem and customer test chips. IFS already has
more than 50 test chips in the pipeline across 2024 and 2025, 75% of which are on
Intel 18A.

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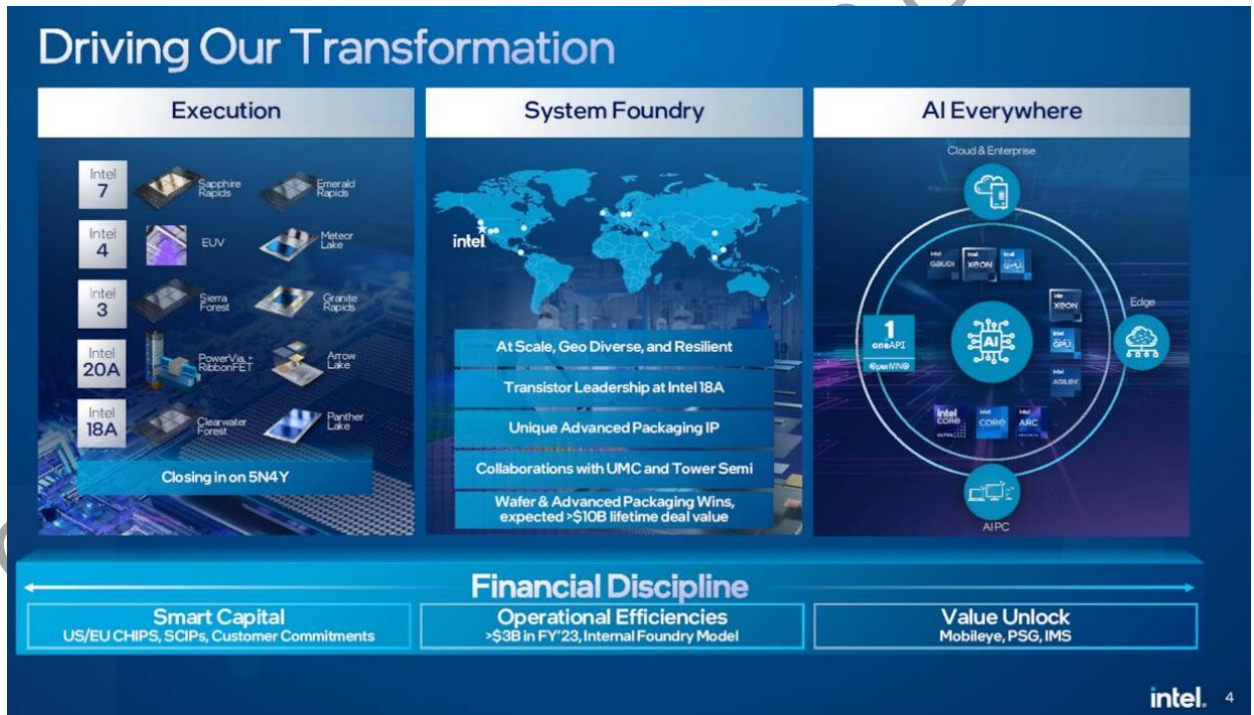
The momentum in advanced packaging is very strong and is another facet of our
foundry strategy, which is clearly benefiting from the surge of interest in AI. With
leadership technology and available capacity, our opportunity set continues to grow.
In total, across wafer and advanced packaging, *our lifetime deal value for IFS is*

1 **now over \$10 billion, more than doubling from the \$4 billion we provided in our**
2 **last update.**

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4 As our new internal foundry model, which is designed to drive greater transparency,
5 accountability and focus on cost begins to take root, **we expect to unlock further cost**
6 **savings and efficiencies in 2024 and beyond. We have officially transitioned to this**
7 **new operating model on January 1, and we'll report the new segmentation format**
8 **as part of our Q1 earnings. We see incremental efficiencies as we drive to our long-**
9 **term model of 60% gross and 40% operating margins.**

10 24. As part of the conference call on January 25, 2024, the Company provided an
11 investor presentation which touted the Company's Foundry model, including stating operational
12 efficiencies included ">\$3B in FY'23, Internal Foundry Model," as shown excerpted:

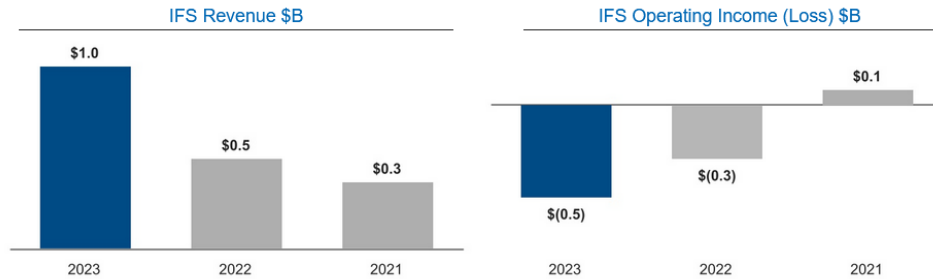


34 25. On January 26, 2024, Intel filed its annual report on Form 10-K for the period ended
35 December 31, 2023, wherein the Company touted the benefits of the Foundry model accompanied
36 by a report of IFS segment's financial performance, as follows excerpted in relevant part:

37 We believe the Open System Foundry model delivers differentiated capabilities to
38 help our customers lead in their industries while bringing stability to the global
39 semiconductor supply chain. **The momentum and customer commitments we are**
40 **seeing demonstrate that our strategy and offerings are resonating, and we look to**
41 **build on this success in 2024 and in future periods.**

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1 Financial Performance



7 26. On March 6, 2024 Intel joint the Morgan Stanley Technology, Media & Telecom
8 Conference, wherein Defendant Zinsner spoke, discussing the Foundry model, stating in relevant
9 part that ***“it's a significant tailwind to the earnings of the company.”*** Defendant Zinsner continued,
10 stating:

11 ***We can be profitable, meaningfully profitable in the foundry space, be well***
12 ***underneath what the leading player in the space is, and still drive significant***
13 ***profitability for the overall Intel company because we get the margin stacking***
14 ***benefit in at least the part of the business that we sell into our own fabless portion***
15 ***of our business.*** So that's really the way I kind of think about it.

16 And I think the last piece of this is kind of restructuring how we manage the business.
17 So we look at the entire manufacturing and TD footprint as a separate P&L and kind
18 of manage the company accordingly to that. ***And I think we'll start to see a lot of the***
19 ***efficiencies that we think we can yield and get ourselves more competitive*** from a
20 cost structure from managing the business in that way.

21 27. On March 28, 2024, Intel published its Annual Report to Security Holders, which
22 contained a prefatory letter from Defendant Gelsinger which stated in relevant part:

23 ***While still early in our foundry journey, we are seeing significant traction.*** We
24 began 2023 with a commitment from one Intel 18A foundry customer and ended the
25 year with four. ***We also achieved five advanced packaging wins, a testament to the***
26 ***advantages of Intel Foundry.*** To support the growing demand for our foundry
27 offering, we continued to expand our manufacturing capacity and capabilities.

28 28. The above statements identified in ¶¶ 21-27 were materially false and/or misleading,
and failed to disclose material adverse facts about the Company's business, operations, and
prospects. Specifically, Defendants failed to disclose to investors: (1) the growth of Intel Foundry
Services was not indicative of revenue growth reportable under the Internal Foundry segment; (2)
the Foundry experienced significant operating losses in 2023; (3) that the Foundry experienced a
decline in product profit driven by lower internal revenue; (4) as a result the Foundry model would
not be a strong tailwind to the Company's IFS strategy; and (5) that, as a result of the foregoing,

1 Defendants' positive statements about the Company's business, operations, and prospects were
2 materially misleading and/or lacked a reasonable basis.

3 **Disclosures at the End of the Class Period**

4 29. On April 2, 2024, after the markets closed, Intel issued a press release which
5 disclosed a retrospective revision of the Company's financial results under the new Foundry model
6 reporting structure, revealing that the Foundry segment experienced an operating loss of \$7 billion
7 on sales of \$18.9 billion in 2023, that Foundry revenue in 2023 was \$18.9 billion down \$8.6 billion
8 from 2022, that there was a lower product profit driven by lower internal revenue.

9 30. Specifically, the Company provided a Retrospective revision to Item 7 of Intel
10 Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial
11 Condition and Results of Operations" for the year ended December 30, 2023, as originally filed with
12 the SEC on January 26, 2024, which stated in relevant part:

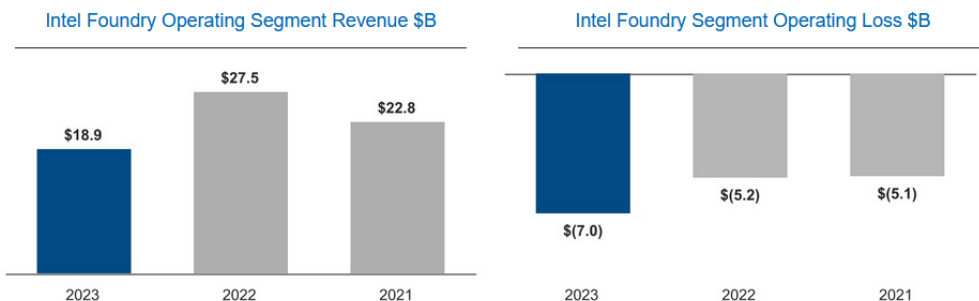
13 We previously announced the implementation of our internal foundry operating
14 model, which took effect in the first quarter of 2024, and creates a foundry
15 relationship between our Intel Products business (collectively CCG, DCAI, and
16 NEX) and our Intel Foundry business.

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18 Our internal foundry model is a key component of our strategy and is designed to
19 reshape our operational dynamics and drive greater transparency, accountability, and
20 focus on costs and efficiency.

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Financial Performance



Operating Segment Revenue Summary

2023 vs. 2022

Revenue was \$18.9 billion down \$8.6 billion from 2022. Internal revenue was \$18.0 billion, down \$9.1 billion driven by lower intersegment volume. External revenue was \$953 million, up \$479 million from 2022, driven by higher packaging revenue.

Segment Operating Loss Summary

We had an operating loss of \$7.0 billion, compared to an operating loss of \$5.2 billion in 2022.

(In Millions)

	2023 Operating Loss
\$ (6,955)	
(2,100)	Lower product profit driven by lower internal revenue
(411)	Higher period charges related to excess capacity
(284)	Higher period charges driven by higher inventory reserves taken in 2023
481	Lower period charges primarily driven by a decrease in product ramp costs
315	Higher product profit driven by external packaging revenue
213	Lower operating expenses driven by various cost-cutting measures
\$ (5,169)	2022 Operating Loss

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33. On this news, Intel's stock price fell \$3.23, or 9.2%, to close at \$31.88 per share on April 26, 2024, on unusually heavy trading.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

34. Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3) on behalf of a class, consisting of all persons and entities that purchased or otherwise acquired Intel securities between January 25, 2024 and April 25, 2024, inclusive, and who were damaged thereby (the "Class"). Excluded from the Class are Defendants, the officers and

1 directors of the Company, at all relevant times, members of their immediate families and their legal
2 representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which Defendants have or had a
3 controlling interest.

4 35. The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is
5 impracticable. Throughout the Class Period, Intel's shares actively traded on the NASDAQ. While
6 the exact number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiff at this time and can only be ascertained
7 through appropriate discovery, Plaintiff believes that there are at least hundreds or thousands of
8 members in the proposed Class. Millions of Intel shares were traded publicly during the Class
9 Period on the NASDAQ. Record owners and other members of the Class may be identified from
10 records maintained by Intel or its transfer agent and may be notified of the pendency of this action
11 by mail, using the form of notice similar to that customarily used in securities class actions.

12 36. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class as all members
13 of the Class are similarly affected by Defendants' wrongful conduct in violation of federal law that
14 is complained of herein.

15 37. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the Class
16 and has retained counsel competent and experienced in class and securities litigation.

17 38. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Class and
18 predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the Class. Among the
19 questions of law and fact common to the Class are:

20 (a) whether the federal securities laws were violated by Defendants' acts as
21 alleged herein;

22 (b) whether statements made by Defendants to the investing public during the
23 Class Period omitted and/or misrepresented material facts about the business, operations, and
24 prospects of Intel; and

25 (c) to what extent the members of the Class have sustained damages and the
26 proper measure of damages.

27 39. A class action is superior to all other available methods for the fair and efficient
28 adjudication of this controversy since joinder of all members is impracticable. Furthermore, as the

1 damages suffered by individual Class members may be relatively small, the expense and burden of
2 individual litigation makes it impossible for members of the Class to individually redress the wrongs
3 done to them. There will be no difficulty in the management of this action as a class action.

4 **UNDISCLOSED ADVERSE FACTS**

5 40. The market for Intel's securities was open, well-developed and efficient at all
6 relevant times. As a result of these materially false and/or misleading statements, and/or failures to
7 disclose, Intel's securities traded at artificially inflated prices during the Class Period. Plaintiff and
8 other members of the Class purchased or otherwise acquired Intel's securities relying upon the
9 integrity of the market price of the Company's securities and market information relating to Intel,
10 and have been damaged thereby.

11 41. During the Class Period, Defendants materially misled the investing public, thereby
12 inflating the price of Intel's securities, by publicly issuing false and/or misleading statements and/or
13 omitting to disclose material facts necessary to make Defendants' statements, as set forth herein,
14 not false and/or misleading. The statements and omissions were materially false and/or misleading
15 because they failed to disclose material adverse information and/or misrepresented the truth about
16 Intel's business, operations, and prospects as alleged herein.

17 42. At all relevant times, the material misrepresentations and omissions particularized in
18 this Complaint directly or proximately caused or were a substantial contributing cause of the
19 damages sustained by Plaintiff and other members of the Class. As described herein, during the
20 Class Period, Defendants made or caused to be made a series of materially false and/or misleading
21 statements about Intel's financial well-being and prospects. These material misstatements and/or
22 omissions had the cause and effect of creating in the market an unrealistically positive assessment
23 of the Company and its financial well-being and prospects, thus causing the Company's securities
24 to be overvalued and artificially inflated at all relevant times. Defendants' materially false and/or
25 misleading statements during the Class Period resulted in Plaintiff and other members of the Class
26 purchasing the Company's securities at artificially inflated prices, thus causing the damages
27 complained of herein when the truth was revealed.

1 **LOSS CAUSATION**

2 43. Defendants' wrongful conduct, as alleged herein, directly and proximately caused
3 the economic loss suffered by Plaintiff and the Class.

4 44. During the Class Period, Plaintiff and the Class purchased Intel's securities at
5 artificially inflated prices and were damaged thereby. The price of the Company's securities
6 significantly declined when the misrepresentations made to the market, and/or the information
7 alleged herein to have been concealed from the market, and/or the effects thereof, were revealed,
8 causing investors' losses.

9 **SCIENTER ALLEGATIONS**

10 45. As alleged herein, Defendants acted with scienter since Defendants knew that the
11 public documents and statements issued or disseminated in the name of the Company were
12 materially false and/or misleading; knew that such statements or documents would be issued or
13 disseminated to the investing public; and knowingly and substantially participated or acquiesced in
14 the issuance or dissemination of such statements or documents as primary violations of the federal
15 securities laws. As set forth elsewhere herein in detail, the Individual Defendants, by virtue of their
16 receipt of information reflecting the true facts regarding Intel, their control over, and/or receipt
17 and/or modification of Intel's allegedly materially misleading misstatements and/or their
18 associations with the Company which made them privy to confidential proprietary information
19 concerning Intel, participated in the fraudulent scheme alleged herein.

20 **APPLICABILITY OF PRESUMPTION OF RELIANCE**

21 **(FRAUD-ON-THE-MARKET DOCTRINE)**

22 46. The market for Intel's securities was open, well-developed and efficient at all
23 relevant times. As a result of the materially false and/or misleading statements and/or failures to
24 disclose, Intel's securities traded at artificially inflated prices during the Class Period. On January
25 25, 2024, the Company's share price closed at a Class Period high of \$49.55 per share. Plaintiff and
26 other members of the Class purchased or otherwise acquired the Company's securities relying upon
27 the integrity of the market price of Intel's securities and market information relating to Intel, and
28 have been damaged thereby.

1 47. During the Class Period, the artificial inflation of Intel's shares was caused by the
2 material misrepresentations and/or omissions particularized in this Complaint causing the damages
3 sustained by Plaintiff and other members of the Class. As described herein, during the Class Period,
4 Defendants made or caused to be made a series of materially false and/or misleading statements
5 about Intel's business, prospects, and operations. These material misstatements and/or omissions
6 created an unrealistically positive assessment of Intel and its business, operations, and prospects,
7 thus causing the price of the Company's securities to be artificially inflated at all relevant times, and
8 when disclosed, negatively affected the value of the Company shares. Defendants' materially false
9 and/or misleading statements during the Class Period resulted in Plaintiff and other members of the
10 Class purchasing the Company's securities at such artificially inflated prices, and each of them has
11 been damaged as a result.

12 48. At all relevant times, the market for Intel's securities was an efficient market for the
13 following reasons, among others:

14 (a) Intel shares met the requirements for listing, and was listed and actively
15 traded on the NASDAQ, a highly efficient and automated market;

16 (b) As a regulated issuer, Intel filed periodic public reports with the SEC and/or
17 the NASDAQ;

18 (c) Intel regularly communicated with public investors via established market
19 communication mechanisms, including through regular dissemination of press releases on the
20 national circuits of major newswire services and through other wide-ranging public disclosures,
21 such as communications with the financial press and other similar reporting services; and/or

22 (d) Intel was followed by securities analysts employed by brokerage firms who
23 wrote reports about the Company, and these reports were distributed to the sales force and certain
24 customers of their respective brokerage firms. Each of these reports was publicly available and
25 entered the public marketplace.

26 49. As a result of the foregoing, the market for Intel's securities promptly digested
27 current information regarding Intel from all publicly available sources and reflected such
28 information in Intel's share price. Under these circumstances, all purchasers of Intel's securities

1 during the Class Period suffered similar injury through their purchase of Intel's securities at
2 artificially inflated prices and a presumption of reliance applies.

3 50. A Class-wide presumption of reliance is also appropriate in this action under the
4 Supreme Court's holding in *Affiliated Ute Citizens of Utah v. United States*, 406 U.S. 128 (1972),
5 because the Class's claims are, in large part, grounded on Defendants' material misstatements and/or
6 omissions. Because this action involves Defendants' failure to disclose material adverse
7 information regarding the Company's business operations and financial prospects—information that
8 Defendants were obligated to disclose—positive proof of reliance is not a prerequisite to recovery.
9 All that is necessary is that the facts withheld be material in the sense that a reasonable investor
10 might have considered them important in making investment decisions. Given the importance of
11 the Class Period material misstatements and omissions set forth above, that requirement is satisfied
12 here.

13 **NO SAFE HARBOR**

14 51. The statutory safe harbor provided for forward-looking statements under certain
15 circumstances does not apply to any of the allegedly false statements pleaded in this Complaint. The
16 statements alleged to be false and misleading herein all relate to then-existing facts and conditions.
17 In addition, to the extent certain of the statements alleged to be false may be characterized as forward
18 looking, they were not identified as "forward-looking statements" when made and there were no
19 meaningful cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results to
20 differ materially from those in the purportedly forward-looking statements. In the alternative, to the
21 extent that the statutory safe harbor is determined to apply to any forward-looking statements
22 pleaded herein, Defendants are liable for those false forward-looking statements because at the time
23 each of those forward-looking statements was made, the speaker had actual knowledge that the
24 forward-looking statement was materially false or misleading, and/or the forward-looking statement
25 was authorized or approved by an executive officer of Intel who knew that the statement was false
26 when made.

1 **FIRST CLAIM**

2 **Violation of Section 10(b) of The Exchange Act and**

3 **Rule 10b-5 Promulgated Thereunder**

4 **Against All Defendants**

5 52. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained above as if fully
6 set forth herein.

7 53. During the Class Period, Defendants carried out a plan, scheme and course of conduct
8 which was intended to and, throughout the Class Period, did: (i) deceive the investing public,
9 including Plaintiff and other Class members, as alleged herein; and (ii) cause Plaintiff and other
10 members of the Class to purchase Intel's securities at artificially inflated prices. In furtherance of
11 this unlawful scheme, plan and course of conduct, Defendants, and each defendant, took the actions
12 set forth herein.

13 54. Defendants (i) employed devices, schemes, and artifices to defraud; (ii) made untrue
14 statements of material fact and/or omitted to state material facts necessary to make the statements
15 not misleading; and (iii) engaged in acts, practices, and a course of business which operated as a
16 fraud and deceit upon the purchasers of the Company's securities in an effort to maintain artificially
17 high market prices for Intel's securities in violation of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule
18 10b-5. All Defendants are sued either as primary participants in the wrongful and illegal conduct
19 charged herein or as controlling persons as alleged below.

20 55. Defendants, individually and in concert, directly and indirectly, by the use, means or
21 instrumentalities of interstate commerce and/or of the mails, engaged and participated in a
22 continuous course of conduct to conceal adverse material information about Intel's financial well-
23 being and prospects, as specified herein.

24 56. Defendants employed devices, schemes and artifices to defraud, while in possession
25 of material adverse non-public information and engaged in acts, practices, and a course of conduct
26 as alleged herein in an effort to assure investors of Intel's value and performance and continued
27 substantial growth, which included the making of, or the participation in the making of, untrue
28 statements of material facts and/or omitting to state material facts necessary in order to make the

1 statements made about Intel and its business operations and future prospects in light of the
2 circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, as set forth more particularly herein,
3 and engaged in transactions, practices and a course of business which operated as a fraud and deceit
4 upon the purchasers of the Company's securities during the Class Period.

5 57. Each of the Individual Defendants' primary liability and controlling person liability
6 arises from the following facts: (i) the Individual Defendants were high-level executives and/or
7 directors at the Company during the Class Period and members of the Company's management team
8 or had control thereof; (ii) each of these defendants, by virtue of their responsibilities and activities
9 as a senior officer and/or director of the Company, was privy to and participated in the creation,
10 development and reporting of the Company's internal budgets, plans, projections and/or reports;
11 (iii) each of these defendants enjoyed significant personal contact and familiarity with the other
12 defendants and was advised of, and had access to, other members of the Company's management
13 team, internal reports and other data and information about the Company's finances, operations, and
14 sales at all relevant times; and (iv) each of these defendants was aware of the Company's
15 dissemination of information to the investing public which they knew and/or recklessly disregarded
16 was materially false and misleading.

17 58. Defendants had actual knowledge of the misrepresentations and/or omissions of
18 material facts set forth herein, or acted with reckless disregard for the truth in that they failed to
19 ascertain and to disclose such facts, even though such facts were available to them. Such defendants'
20 material misrepresentations and/or omissions were done knowingly or recklessly and for the purpose
21 and effect of concealing Intel's financial well-being and prospects from the investing public and
22 supporting the artificially inflated price of its securities. As demonstrated by Defendants'
23 overstatements and/or misstatements of the Company's business, operations, financial well-being,
24 and prospects throughout the Class Period, Defendants, if they did not have actual knowledge of the
25 misrepresentations and/or omissions alleged, were reckless in failing to obtain such knowledge by
26 deliberately refraining from taking those steps necessary to discover whether those statements were
27 false or misleading.

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1 ownership and contractual rights, participation in, and/or awareness of the Company's operations
2 and intimate knowledge of the false financial statements filed by the Company with the SEC and
3 disseminated to the investing public, Individual Defendants had the power to influence and control
4 and did influence and control, directly or indirectly, the decision-making of the Company, including
5 the content and dissemination of the various statements which Plaintiff contends are false and
6 misleading. Individual Defendants were provided with or had unlimited access to copies of the
7 Company's reports, press releases, public filings, and other statements alleged by Plaintiff to be
8 misleading prior to and/or shortly after these statements were issued and had the ability to prevent
9 the issuance of the statements or cause the statements to be corrected.

10 65. In particular, Individual Defendants had direct and supervisory involvement in the
11 day-to-day operations of the Company and, therefore, had the power to control or influence the
12 particular transactions giving rise to the securities violations as alleged herein, and exercised the
13 same.

14 66. As set forth above, Intel and Individual Defendants each violated Section 10(b) and
15 Rule 10b-5 by their acts and omissions as alleged in this Complaint. By virtue of their position as
16 controlling persons, Individual Defendants are liable pursuant to Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act.
17 As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' wrongful conduct, Plaintiff and other members of
18 the Class suffered damages in connection with their purchases of the Company's securities during
19 the Class Period.

20 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

21 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief and judgment, as follows:

22 (a) Determining that this action is a proper class action under Rule 23 of the Federal
23 Rules of Civil Procedure;

24 (b) Awarding compensatory damages in favor of Plaintiff and the other Class members
25 against all defendants, jointly and severally, for all damages sustained as a result of Defendants'
26 wrongdoing, in an amount to be proven at trial, including interest thereon;

27 (c) Awarding Plaintiff and the Class their reasonable costs and expenses incurred in this
28 action, including counsel fees and expert fees; and

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(d) Such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury.

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