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16 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
17 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

18 ESTATE OF MUSHTAQ KARIM ABD AL-  
19 RAZZAQ;  
20 ESTATE OF QASIM MOHAMED ABBAS  
MAHMOUD;  
21 ESTATE OF MOHAMED ABBAS  
MAHMOUD;  
22 ESTATE OF GHANIYAH HASSAN ALI;  
AFFRAH SATTAR GHAFIL;  
23 WISSAM RAHEEM FULAIH;  
ALAH MAJEED SGHAIR ZAIDI;  
24 YASSAMEEN ABDULKHUDIR SALIH;  
ZUHAIR NAJIM ABOOD AL-MAMOURI;  
25 ALI KHALAF SALMAN MANSOUR;  
SARHAN THIAB ABDULMOUNEM;  
26 ADEL JABIR SHAMMA;  
JASSIM MOHAMMED HASHIM;  
27 HAIDER SA'ADOON LATEEF; and  
SA'ADOON LATEEF MAJEED,  
28 Plaintiffs,

09 CV 0626 LAB BLM  
COMPLAINT FOR:  
1. WAR CRIMES  
2. ASSAULT AND BATTERY  
3. WRONGFUL DEATH  
4. INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF  
EMOTIONAL DISTRESS  
5. NEGLIGENT INFLICTION OF  
EMOTIONAL DISTRESS  
6. NEGLIGENT HIRING, TRAINING  
AND SUPERVISION  
7. TORTIOUS SPOILIATION OF  
EVIDENCE  
DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

v. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 XE, formerly known as BLACKWATER )  
2 WORLDWIDE and BLACKWATER LODGE )  
3 AND TRAINING CENTER, INC.; )  
4 FALCON; )  
5 BLACKWATER SECURITY CONSULTING, )  
6 LLC; )  
7 BLACKWATER ARMOR AND TARGETS, )  
8 LLC; )  
9 BLACKWATER AIRSHIPS, LLC; )  
10 BLACKWATER LOGISTICS, LLC; )  
11 RAVEN DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC; )  
12 GREYSTONE LIMITED TOTAL )  
13 INTELLIGENCE SOLUTIONS, LLC; )  
14 THE PRINCE GROUP LLC; )  
15 EP INVESTMENTS, LLC; )  
16 U.S. TRAINING CENTER; )  
17 U.S. TRAINING CENTER SOUTHWEST; )  
18 ERIK PRINCE, )

19 Defendants.

20 Plaintiffs ESTATE OF MUSHTAQ KARIM ABD AL-RAZZAQ; ESTATE OF  
21 QASIM MOHAMED ABBAS MAHMOUD; ESTATE OF MOHAMED ABBAS  
22 MAHMOUD; ESTATE OF GHANIYAH HASSAN ALI; AFFRAH SATTAR GHAFIL;  
23 WISSAM RAHEEM FULAIH; ALAH MAJEED SGHAIR ZAIDI; YASSAMEEN  
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25 SALMAN MANSOUR; SARHAN THIAB ABDULMOUNEM; ADEL JABIR SHAMMA;  
26 JASSIM MOHAMMED HASHIM; HAIDER SA'ADOON LATEEF and SA'ADOON  
27 LATEEF MAJEED hereby allege as follows:

28 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

1. This Court has original jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question); 28 U.S.C. § 1332 (diversity jurisdiction); 28 U.S.C. § 1350 (Alien Tort Statute); and 28 U.S.C. § 1367 (supplemental jurisdiction).

2. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(a)(3) and § 1391(b)(2).

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THE PARTIES

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2           3.     Plaintiff is the Estate of Mushtaq Karim Abd Al-Razzaq. Mushtaq Karim Abd  
3 Al-Razzaq was a 19-year old male resident of Baghdad who was killed by Xe – Blackwater  
4 shooters on September 16, 2007.

5           4.     Plaintiff is the Estate of Qasim Mohamed Abbas Mahmoud. Qasim Mohamed  
6 Abbas Mahmoud was a 12-year old male resident of Baghdad who was killed by Xe –  
7 Blackwater shooters on September 16, 2007. He was shot while riding in a car with his  
8 father, Mohamed Abbas Mahmoud and his mother Yassameen Abdulkhudhir Salih.

9           5.     Plaintiff is the Estate of Mohamed Abbas Mahmoud. Mohamed Abbas  
10 Mahmoud was a 47-year old male resident of Baghdad who was killed by Xe – Blackwater  
11 shooters on September 16, 2007. He was killed along with his 12-year old son, Qasim  
12 Mohamed Abbas Mahmoud.

13          6.     Plaintiff is the Estate of Ghaniyah Hassan Ali. Ghaniyah Hassan Ali was a 55  
14 year old resident of Baghdad who was killed by Xe-Blackwater shooters on September 16,  
15 2007. Ghaniyah Hassan Ali was shot in the head while riding in a bus with her daughter,  
16 Affrah Sattah Ghafil, whom she tried to shield from the shooting.

17          7.     Plaintiff is Yassameen Abdulkhudir Salih, a resident of Baghdad. Yassameen  
18 Abdulkhudir Salih was injured as she was riding in a car with her husband, Mohamed Abbas  
19 Mahmoud, and 12-year old son, Qasim Mohamed Abbas Mahmoud in Nisoor Square on  
20 September 16, 2007. She observed both her husband and son killed by Xe – Blackwater  
21 "shooters", which caused severe and lasting mental injury. She also was seriously and  
22 permanently physically injured by shots fired by Xe – Blackwater shooters.

23          8.     Plaintiff is Affrah Sattar Ghafil, a 28-year old female resident of Baghdad.  
24 Affrah Sattar Ghafil while riding in the bus with her mother, Ghaniyah Hassan Ali, was shot  
25 at and observed her mother slaughtered by Xe-Blackwater mercenaries, which caused severe  
26 and lasting mental injury.

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1           9.     Plaintiff is Wissam Raheem Fulaih a 24 year old resident of Baghdad. Wisam  
2 Raheem Fulaih was shot multiple times as he attempted to leave a bus and run to safety in  
3 Nisoor Square on September 16, 2007.

4           10.    Plaintiff is Alah Majeed Sghair Zaidi is a 25-year old resident of Baghdad,  
5 Iraq. He was on duty as a policeman near Nisoor Square on September 16, 2007, when Xe-  
6 Blackwater shooters opened fire and shot him in the chest.

7           11.    Plaintiff is Zuhair Najim Abbood Al-Mamouri. Zuhair Najim Abbood Al-  
8 Mamouri is a 32-year old male resident of Baghdad. He was driving in Nisoor Square on  
9 September 16, 2007, when the Xe – Blackwater shooters opened fire, injuring him and his  
10 vehicle.

11          12.    Plaintiffs Ali Khalaf Salman Mansour and Sarhan Thiab Abdulmounem are  
12 police officers who tried to stop the senseless killing by Xe – Blackwater shooters on  
13 September 16, 2007. Rather than heeding Plaintiffs' hand signals indicating a lack of threat  
14 by any persons, the Xe – Blackwater shooters opened fire on Plaintiffs and numerous other  
15 innocents. Both gentlemen are residents of Baghdad.

16          13.    Plaintiff is Adel Jabir Shamma, a 52 year old resident of Baghdad. Adel Jabir  
17 Shamma was shot multiple times in the leg while in Nisoor Square on September 16, 2007.

18          14.    Plaintiff is Jassim Mohammed Hashim, a 30 year old resident of Baghdad.  
19 Jassim Mohammed Hashim was shot in the head while in Nisoor Square on September 16,  
20 2007.

21          15.    Plaintiff is Haider Sa'adoon Lateef, a 19 year resident of Baghdad. Haider  
22 Sa'adoon Lateef was shot multiple times in the legs while riding in a bus in Nisoor Square  
23 on September 16, 2007.

24          16.    Plaintiff is Sa'adoon Lateef Majeed, a 56 year resident of Baghdad. Sa'adoon  
25 Lateef Majeed was shot at while riding in a bus in Nisoor Square on September 16, 2007 and  
26 observed his son, Haider Sa'adoon Lateef being shot by Xe-Blackwater mercenaries, which  
27 caused severe and lasting mental injury.

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1           17. Defendant Erik Price is a resident of McLean, Virginia, with business offices at  
2 1650 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, Virginia 22102, who personally and wholly owns holding  
3 companies known as The Prince Group and EP Investments LLC. Mr. Price, through these  
4 holding companies, owns and controls the various Xe-Blackwater entities, as well as entities  
5 known as Greystone and Total Intelligence.

6           18. Defendant The Prince Group LLC is a holding company located at 1650  
7 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, Virginia 22102.

8           19. Defendant EP Investments, LLC is a holding company managed by The Prince  
9 Group LLC. EP Investments, LLC is located at 1650 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, Virginia  
10 22102.

11           20. Defendant Erik Prince, acting through a web of companies operating under the  
12 "Xe" or "Blackwater" or "Falcon" or "Greystone" or "Total Intelligence" names, earns  
13 billions of dollars providing mercenaries (known as "shooters") for hire. The various Xe-  
14 Blackwater, Greystone and The Prince Group corporate entities were formed primarily to  
15 reduce legal exposures and do not operate as individual and independent companies outside  
16 the control of Erik Prince. Erik Prince personally controls all the various entities.

17           21. Defendants Xe, Blackwater Worldwide, Blackwater Lodge and Training  
18 Center, Inc., Blackwater Target Systems, Blackwater Security Consulting and Raven  
19 Development Group are all located at 850 Puddin Ridge Road, Moyock, North Carolina  
20 27958.

21           22. Defendant Greystone Ltd. and Total Intelligence Solutions LLP are companies  
22 through which Erik Prince conducts his mercenary business. Greystone Ltd. and Total  
23 Intelligence Solutions LLP are located at 1650 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, Virginia 22102.

24           23. Defendant U.S. Training Center, a subsidiary of Xe/ Blackwater, operates U.S.  
25 Training Center Southwest. This 66,000 square foot training center provides military, law  
26 enforcement and private citizen firearms and specialty course training. U.S. Training Center  
27 Southwest was formed and does business in this District at 7685 Siempre Viva Road, San  
28 Diego. It had previously conducted business in this District at 5590 Ruffin Road, San Diego.

1 COMPLAINT

2 24. This action is being brought against Xe, formerly Blackwater, in all of its  
3 various corporate incarnations. These companies (including a Xe- Blackwater company  
4 called Falcon that continues to operate in Iraq), are all component parts a single private  
5 company wholly owned and personally controlled by a man named Erik Prince. Prince and  
6 his corporate entities earn billions of dollars selling mercenary services.

7 25. On September 16, 2007, heavily-armed Xe - Blackwater mercenaries (known  
8 in Blackwater parlance as “shooters”) working in Iraq began firing on a crowd of innocent  
9 Iraqis, without justification, resulting in multiple deaths and injuries. The Xe - Blackwater  
10 “shooters” involved in this senseless slaughter on September 16, 2007, are being criminally  
11 prosecuted by the United States Department of Justice. One Xe - Blackwater shooter has  
12 already plead guilty, admitting that the Xe – Blackwater shooters were not being threatened  
13 and instead intentionally killed innocents for no reason.

14 26. The September 16, 2007 massacre is one episode in a lengthy pattern of  
15 egregious misconduct by Xe - Blackwater acting in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world.  
16 Xe- Blackwater created and fostered a culture of lawlessness amongst its employees,  
17 encouraging them to act in the company’s financial interests at the expense of innocent  
18 human life. This action seeks compensatory damages to compensate the injured and the  
19 families of those gunned down and killed by Xe - Blackwater shooters. This action seeks  
20 punitive damages in an amount sufficient to punish Erik Prince and his Xe - Blackwater  
21 companies for their repeated callous killing of innocents.

22 **THE XE-BLACKWATER SEPTEMBER 16, 2007 MASSACRE**

23 27. Xe-Blackwater provides armed forces to protect Department of State personnel  
24 in Iraq. These mobile armed forces that accompany diplomats and others in need of  
25 protection are consistently referred to by Xe-Blackwater as “shooters.”

26 28. Xe - Blackwater earned more than two billion dollars from the United States.  
27 The United States paid Xe - Blackwater these substantial sums based on Xe - Blackwater’s  
28 misrepresentations that it was a legitimate company able to conduct itself in a lawful manner.

1 But in fact, Xe - Blackwater operates extra-legally, providing heavily-armed mercenaries  
2 who flout the laws of this nation and the host nation, Iraq.

3 29. On or about September 16, 2007, Blackwater shooters Paul Alvin Slough,  
4 Nicolas Abram Slatten, Evan Shawn Liberty, Dustin Laurent Heard, Donald Wayne Ball,  
5 and Jeremy P. Ridgeway shot without justification and killed or injured Plaintiffs and other  
6 innocent Iraqis in and around a traffic circle known as Nisoor Square.

7 30. One of the Blackwater shooters, Jeremy P. Ridgeway, pled guilty to voluntary  
8 manslaughter and attempt to commit manslaughter.

9 31. Mr. Ridgeway admitted that he and his co-conspirators had been told to stay in  
10 the International Zone by the United States Embassy Regional Security Office. The shooters  
11 ignored these direct orders.

12 32. After the shooters improperly left the International Office, the Regional  
13 Security Office directed them to return to the International Zone.

14 33. Instead, as Mr. Ridgeway admitted, the shooters wholly ignored these direct  
15 orders, and rode four-heavily armored trucks into Nisoor Square, blockaded peaceful civilian  
16 traffic and opened fire with automatic weapons and grenade launchers for no reason.

17 34. Mr. Ridgeway admitted that he and his co-conspirators knew that they were  
18 shooting at innocents who were attempting to flee. The Xe - Blackwater shooters shot,  
19 among others, an unarmed man holding his hands in the air.

20 35. The Xe - Blackwater shooters knew they were killing innocents, not using the  
21 most minimal force necessary to defend themselves from insurgents. The Xe - Blackwater  
22 mercenaries intentionally ignored direct orders to stay in the International Zone, and instead  
23 voluntarily drove to Nisoor Square and massacred and maimed innocents. These men knew  
24 they were not facing any threats to their own safety.

25 **XE - BLACKWATER PERMITS AND ENCOURAGES**  
26 **EXCESSIVE AND UNNECESSARY USE OF DEADLY FORCE**

27 36. The September 16, 2007, massacre was not an isolated instance of misconduct  
28 by Xe - Blackwater. Xe - Blackwater has a pattern and practice of recklessness in the use

1 of deadly force. Xe - Blackwater has created and fostered a corporate culture in which  
2 excessive and unnecessary use of deadly force by its employees is not investigated or  
3 punished in any way.

4 37. Xe - Blackwater routinely sends heavily-armed "shooters" into the streets of  
5 Baghdad with the knowledge that some of those "shooters" are chemically influenced by  
6 steroids and other judgment-altering substances.

7 38. Through their acts and omissions, Xe - Blackwater management encouraged  
8 shooting innocent Iraqis. Xe - Blackwater management refused to fire or discipline  
9 mercenaries who murdered innocent Iraqis. Shooters known to have committed "bad  
10 shoots" (i.e. murder) would not even be placed on the "do not use" list. Instead, Xe -  
11 Blackwater would continue to rehire and deploy shooters known to have killed innocents for  
12 no reason.

13 39. Xe - Blackwater captured much of the illegal conduct on videotape and  
14 audiotape. At times, Xe - Blackwater would even review the illegal conduct in a review  
15 called a "hot wash." Xe - Blackwater, however, did not report or punish the illegal conduct  
16 of its shooters. Instead, Xe - Blackwater intentionally destroyed the evidence of illegal  
17 conduct, and encouraged the shooters to do the same.

18 40. Plaintiffs will show at trial a litany of illegal shootings around the globe known  
19 to Xe - Blackwater management.

20 41. Plaintiffs will also show at trial that Xe - Blackwater hired and continues to  
21 hire former military officials known to have been involved in human rights abuses in Latin  
22 American and elsewhere.

23 42. Although Xe - Blackwater tries to pass itself off as a company using retired  
24 American military, the company actually recruits mercenaries from the Philippines, Chile,  
25 Nepal, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Panama, Peru, Bulgaria, Poland,  
26 Romania, Jordan and perhaps South Africa. Xe - Blackwater hires and deploys to Iraq  
27 foreign nationals without regard for the fact that they were forbidden by the laws of their  
28 country from serving as mercenaries.



1 43. Xe - Blackwater repeatedly and routinely engages in other illegal conduct.

2 44. Xe - Blackwater engages in conduct that violates the laws governing the use  
3 and sale of firearms.

4 45. Xe - Blackwater engages in conduct that violates the Anti-Pinkerton Act, 5  
6 U.S.C. § 1803, which prohibits the United States from doing business with “[a]n individual  
7 employed by the Pinkerton Detective Agency, or similar organization.” The legislative  
8 history of the Act makes it clear that a “similar organization” means any mercenary or quasi-  
9 mercenary organization. Xe - Blackwater constitutes such a “similar organization” and  
therefore lacks any valid contractual relationships with the United States.

10 46. Xe- Blackwater engages in conduct that violates the terms of its putative  
11 contracts with the United States.

12 47. Xe - Blackwater seriously harms the United States by its repeated and  
13 consistent failure to act in accord with the law of war, the laws of the United States, and  
14 international law.

15 **DAMAGES**

16 48. Defendants are liable for killing. Defendants are liable for the pain and  
17 suffering caused to these victims, as well as the pain and suffering and loss of consortium  
18 caused to the family members of these victims.

19 49. Defendants are liable for the physical and mental injuries caused to Plaintiffs.

20 50. Plaintiffs seeks compensatory and punitive damages in an amount for each  
21 individual in excess of the jurisdictional amount set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 1332. Plaintiffs also  
22 seek any and all additional remedies (such as attorneys’ fees) available under law and equity.

23 **COUNT ONE – WAR CRIMES**

24 51. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
25 forth herein.

26 52. Defendants’ acts were deliberate, willful, intentional, wanton, malicious and  
27 oppressive and constitute war crimes.

28 53. Defendants’ acts took place during a period of armed conflict.

1 54. Defendants committed war crimes, including willful killing and willfully  
2 causing great suffering or serious injury to body or health, against Plaintiffs.

3 55. Defendants are liable for their conduct that constitutes war crimes.

4 56. Defendants' misconduct caused grave and foreseeable injuries to Plaintiffs.

5 **COUNT TWO – ASSAULT AND BATTERY**

6 57. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
7 forth herein.

8 58. Defendants unlawfully intended to and did inflict immediate injury upon  
9 Plaintiffs.

10 59. Defendants intentionally assaulted, battered, and made other offensive  
11 contacts; and aided and abetted the assaulting, battering and offensively contacting of the  
12 Plaintiffs.

13 60. Plaintiffs did not consent to the offensive contacts. Plaintiffs feared for their  
14 personal safety and felt threatened by Defendants' actions.

15 61. Defendants committed the assaults and batteries.

16 62. Defendants' acts caused grave and foreseeable damages to Plaintiffs.

17 **COUNT THREE – WRONGFUL DEATH**

18 63. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
19 forth herein.

20 64. Defendants' wrongful acts and omissions caused the death of Plaintiffs.

21 65. Defendants set the conditions, directly and/or indirectly facilitated, ordered,  
22 acquiesced, confirmed, ratified and/or conspired with others to act in the manner that led to  
23 the wrongful deaths.

24 66. Plaintiffs are the duly appointed personal representative of those wrongfully  
25 killed by Defendants.

26 67. The deaths of these persons were the foreseeable result of Defendants'  
27 wrongful acts and omissions.

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1                   **COUNT FOUR – INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS**

2                   78. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
3 forth herein.

4                   69. Defendants intentionally inflicted severe emotional distress by way of extreme  
5 and outrageous conduct on Plaintiffs and their family members. Defendants intended or  
6 recklessly disregarding the probability that Plaintiffs would suffer emotional distress when  
7 directing offensive conduct toward Plaintiffs or carrying out offensive conduct while aware  
8 of Plaintiffs' and their family members' presence.

9                   70. Defendants set the conditions, directly and/or indirectly facilitated, ordered,  
10 acquiesced, confirmed, ratified and/or conspired with others to inflict emotional distress on  
11 Plaintiffs.

12                   71. Defendants' acts caused grave and foreseeable injuries to Plaintiffs and their  
13 family members.

14                   **COUNT FIVE – NEGLIGENT INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS**

15                   72. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
16 forth herein.

17                   73. Defendants negligently inflicted severe emotional distress on Plaintiffs and  
18 their family members.

19                   74. Defendants breached a duty to Plaintiffs and others present at the scene of the  
20 killings and infliction of bodily injury.

21                   75. Defendants' negligence directly and foreseeably harmed Plaintiffs.

22                   **COUNT SIX – NEGLIGENT HIRING, TRAINING AND SUPERVISION**

23                   76. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
24 forth herein.

25                   77. Defendants acted negligently and directly harmed Plaintiffs by:

26                   (a) failing to take the appropriate steps in hiring proper personnel to  
27 perform services;

28                   (b) failing to properly screen personnel before their hiring;

- 1 (c) failing to train personnel properly;
- 2 (d) failing to investigate allegations of wrongdoing;
- 3 (e) failing to reprimand for wrongful actions;
- 4 (f) failing to adequately monitor for and stop illegal substance abuse; and
- 5 (g) negligently permitting repeated lawlessness by employees.

6 78. Defendants' negligence directly and foreseeably harmed Plaintiffs and their  
7 family members.

8 **COUNT SEVEN – TORTIOUS SPOILIATION OF EVIDENCE**

9 79. All preceding paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set  
10 forth herein.

11 80. Defendants had a legal duty to preserve evidence relating to unauthorized uses  
12 of force.

13 81. Defendants intentionally destroyed that evidence to prevent detection of its  
14 wrongdoing.

15 82. Defendants' destruction of evidence significantly impaired Plaintiffs' ability to  
16 prove certain facts in this action.

17 83. Defendants' intent in destroying the evidence was to lessen the risk that they  
18 would be found liable by a jury hearing this action.

19 84. Defendants' intentional destruction of evidence harmed and continues to harm  
20 the Plaintiffs.

21 **PRAYERS AND DAMAGES**

22 85. Plaintiffs and their family members, acting when necessary through their  
23 Estates, are entitled to any and all remedies available to them as a result of the conduct  
24 alleged herein, including, but not limited to:

- 25 (a) compensatory damages for death, physical, mental and economic  
26 injuries;

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1 (b) punitive damages in an amount sufficient to strip Defendants of all of  
2 the revenue and profits earned from their pattern of constant misconduct and callous  
3 disregard for human life; and

4 (c) any attorneys' fees and costs permitted by law.

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1 DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

2 Plaintiffs hereby demand a jury trial as provided by Rule 38(a) of the Federal Rule of  
3 Civil Procedure.

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

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[SEE ATTACHED LIST]

(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF IRAO (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) ATTORNEYS (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER) OLIVA & ASSOCIATES, ALC 11770 Bernardo Plaza Court Suite 350 San Diego, CA 92128 (858) 385-0491

DEFENDANTS

XE, formerly known as BLACKWATER WORLDWIDE and BLACKWATER TRAINING CENTER, INC.;

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COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT FAIRFAX, VA (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (PLACE AN 'X' IN ONE BOX ONLY)

- 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff, 2 U.S. Government Defendant, 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party), 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN 'X' IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT)

Table with columns for Plaintiff (PT) and Defendant (DEF) citizenship: Citizen of This State, Citizen of Another State, Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country, Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in This State, Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State, Foreign Nation.

IV. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE. DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY.) 28 USC Section 1350 (Aliens' action for tort). This action involves claims in tort by aliens committed in violation of the laws of nations or a treat of the United States.

V. NATURE OF SUIT (PLACE AN 'X' IN ONE BOX ONLY)

Large table with categories: CONTRACT, REAL PROPERTY, TORTS, CIVIL RIGHTS, PRISONER PETITIONS, FORFEITURE/PENALTY, LABOR, BANKRUPTCY, SOCIAL SECURITY, FEDERAL TAX SUITS, OTHER STATUTES. Includes sub-sections like PERSONAL INJURY, PERSONAL PROPERTY, and LABOR.

VI. ORIGIN

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- 1 Original Proceeding, 2 Removal from State Court, 3 Remanded from Appellate Court, 4 Reinstated or Reopened, 5 Transferred from another district (specify), 6 Multidistrict Litigation, 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION DEMAND \$ UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: [X] YES [ ] NO

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY (See instructions): JUDGE Thomas J. Whelan Docket Number 09 CV 0561 W LSP

DATE: March 26, 2009 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD: MICHAEL S. FAIRCLOTH

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ADDITIONAL PLAINTIFFS:

ESTATE OF GHANIYAH HASSAN ALI;  
AFFRAH SATTAR GHAFIL;  
WISSAM RAHEEM FULAIH;  
ALAH MAJEED SGHAIR ZAIDI;  
YASSAMEEN ABDULKHUDIR SALIH;  
ZUHAIR NAJIM ABBOOD AL-MAMOURI;  
ALI KHALAF SALMAN MANSOUR;  
SARHAN THIAB ABDULMOUNEM;  
ADEL JABIR SHAMMA;  
JASSIM MOHAMMED HASHIM;  
HAIDER SA'ADOON LATEEF; and  
SA'ADOON LATEEF MAJEED



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ADDITIONAL DEFENDANTS:

FALCON;

BLACKWATER SECURITY CONSULTING, LLC;

BLACKWATER ARMOR AND TARGETS, LLC;

BLACKWATER AIRSHIPS, LLC;

BLACKWATER LOGISTICS, LLC;

RAVEN DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC;

GREYSTONE LIMITED TOTAL INTELLIGENCE SOLUTIONS, LLC;

THE PRINCE GROUP LLC;

EP INVESTMENTS, LLC;

U.S. TRAINING CENTER;

U.S. TRAINING CENTER SOUTHWEST;

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**UNITED STATES  
DISTRICT COURT  
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