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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ANDREA BARTZ and KIRK WALLACE
JOHNSON, individually, and ANDREA
BARTZ, INC., CHARLES GRAEBER, and
MJ + KJ, INC., individually and as
representatives of the class,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ANTHROPIC PBC

Defendant.

Case No. 3:24-cv-05417-AMO

**ANTHROPIC PBC'S NOTICE OF
INTENT TO FILE
ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION
TO CONSIDER WHETHER
CASES SHOULD BE RELATED**

1 Defendant Anthropic PBC provides notice of its intent to file an administrative motion
 2 under Civil Local Rule 3-12(b) regarding two later-filed related cases: *Carreyrou v. Anthropic*
 3 *PBC*, No. 5:25-cv-10897-PCP (N.D. Cal.),¹ and *Chicken Soup for the Soul, LLC v. Anthropic PBC*,
 4 No. 5:26-cv-02333-LJC (N.D. Cal.).

5 Anthropic files this notice to satisfy its obligation to promptly notify the Court of related
 6 cases. *See* L.R. 3-12(b). Anthropic cannot yet move to formally relate these cases to *Bartz* because
 7 both name seven additional defendants. Anthropic has moved to sever its claims in both actions.
 8 Once severance is granted, Anthropic will promptly move to relate them to this action.

9 **Background.** In December 2025, six authors who opted out of the *Bartz* class settlement
 10 filed *Carreyrou*, naming Anthropic and seven other defendants—Google, OpenAI, Meta, xAI,
 11 Perplexity, Apple, and NVIDIA. As to Anthropic, the plaintiffs assert individual copyright
 12 infringement claims based on the same alleged conduct at issue here: using copyrighted books to
 13 train Anthropic’s large language models. On March 17, 2026, another opt-out plaintiff filed a near-
 14 identical complaint in *Chicken Soup*, naming the same eight defendants and asserting the same
 15 claims as to different works in suit. Plaintiffs’ counsel has indicated additional cases will follow.

16 **Relationship to This Action.** All three cases challenge the same Anthropic conduct, assert
 17 the same legal claims, and involve copyrighted works that were part of this litigation before
 18 plaintiffs opted out. They are related under L.R. 3-12(a).

19 **Why Anthropic Cannot Yet Move to Relate.** Relating *Carreyrou* and *Chicken Soup* in
 20 their current form would bring seven additional defendants—and their unrelated defenses—into
 21 this action. For this reason, two other defendants in *Carreyrou* and *Chicken Soup*—Google and
 22 Meta—have similarly abstained from moving to relate cases to their respective related class actions
 23 until the claims against each defendant are severed. Anthropic has moved to sever in *Carreyrou*,
 24 along with all other defendants in *Carreyrou*; no hearing date has been set. Anthropic will seek
 25 severance in *Chicken Soup* at the appropriate time. Once severance is granted in both actions,
 26 Anthropic will move promptly to relate them to *Bartz*.

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 28 ¹ The first-listed plaintiff in this action has changed from John Carreyrou to Cambronne, Inc.

1 Dated: March 25, 2026

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2 By: /s/ Yar R. Chaikovsky

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