

THE SMALLER CLAIMS COURT
CLOUDHACKS JURY DIVISION

DOCKET NO. PC-2026-0021

COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE

Ada

PLAINTIFF

- against -

Grace

DEFENDANT

FILED

September 7, 2026

ORDERED

September 7, 2026

EXHIBITS

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RELIEF SOUGHT

\$14 and a public apology in the group chat

FINDINGS, OPINION AND ORDER

Ferreira v. Unattended Leftovers, 412 Petty 88 (2019)

I. STATEMENT OF CLAIM

I labelled my pad thai with my name and the date. Grace ate it. When confronted she said the label 'must have fallen off'. The label was still on the container, in the bin, under her fork.

II. REBUTTAL OF THE DEFENDANT

The label said DO NOT EAT. It did not say whose. Also the pad thai was eleven days old.

III. OPINION OF THE COURT

The court finds the plaintiff's labelling clear, contemporaneous, and cruelly specific. The defendant's claim that the label 'fell off' is contradicted by the label itself, recovered from the bin. The age of the pad thai, while regrettable, does not entitle the defendant to consume it.

IV. DISPOSITION

Judgment for the plaintiff. The defendant's fork-based defence is overruled.

DAMAGES AND OBLIGATIONS AWARDED

\$14, one (1) group-chat apology of no fewer than twelve words, and a written commitment never to 'help finish' labelled food again.



Hon. Delphine Vex

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Judge, Smaller Claims Court

Entered September 7, 2026



The complete record of this matter, including any recording of the ruling as delivered from the bench,
is available at <https://smallerclaimscourt.vercel.app/case/cx6kqrji>