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Former senior HR manager Dana Byrne has launched a class action lawsuit against RMJM, its separate divisions and its directors

According to the complaint lodged with the district court in New York, 'hundreds' of RMJM employees have suffered 'substantial damage' due to the AJ100 big hitter's 'numerous unlawful employment practices'.

The class action, lodged by Byrne 'on behalf of all similarly situated employees who elect to opt in', claims the practice had intentionally withheld and continued to withhold earned wages from its employees.

The document, filed last week, also alleges that due to RMJM's failure to pay its premiums, the workforce lost its life insurance cover. Byrne contends there was 'fraudulent concealment' of the cancellation of the group term life insurance policy.

The legal papers allege damages are owed for 'unlawful failure to pay minimum wage... unlawful wage deductions... failure to furnish accurate wage statements and failure to make wage payments with the requisite frequency.'

The litigation comes just three months after RMJM was served with eviction papers and left its former New York office at 275 Seventh Avenue (see AJ 29.08.12).

A few weeks ago the global giant appointed KPMG as receivers of RMJM Ltd, RMJM London Ltd and RMJM Scotland Ltd with 'contracts in these companies acquired by the new RMJM European Division'. RMJM refused to comment.