UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ADVANCE TRUST & LIFE ESCROW SERVICES, LTA, AS NOMINEE OF LIFE PARTNERS POSITION HOLDER TRUST, and JAMES KENNEY, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PHL VARIABLE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:18-cv-03444 (MKV)

DECLARATION OF GINA M. INTREPIDO-BOWDEN ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT NOTICE PLAN

I, GINA M. INTREPIDO-BOWDEN, declare and state as follows:

- 1. I am a Vice President at JND Legal Administration LLC ("JND"). I am a judicially recognized legal notice expert with more than 20 years of experience designing and implementing class action legal notice programs. I have been involved in many of the largest and most complex class action notice programs, including all aspects of notice dissemination. A comprehensive description of my experience is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>.
- 2. I submit this Declaration, based on my personal knowledge and information provided to me by Class Counsel, Defense Counsel and experienced JND employees to describe the proposed Notice Plan and address why it is consistent with other class notice plans that courts have determined satisfy the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure ("Rule 23"), the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution, and the Federal Judicial Center's ("FJC") guidelines for best practicable due process notice. If called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently thereto.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- JND is a leading legal administration services provider with offices throughout the United States and its headquarters in Seattle, Washington. JND's class action division provides all services necessary for the effective implementation of class actions, including: (1) all facets of providing legal notice to potential class members, such as developing the final class member list and addresses for them, outbound mailing, email notification, and the design and implementation of media programs; (2) website design and deployment; (3) call center and other contact support; (4) secure class member data management; (5) paper and electronic claims processing; (6) lien verification, negotiation, and resolution; (7) calculation design and programming; (8) payment disbursements through check, wire, PayPal, merchandise credits, and other means; (9) qualified settlement fund management and tax reporting; (10) banking services and reporting; and (11) all other functions related to the secure and accurate administration of class actions.
- 4. JND is an approved vendor for the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"), and most recently, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). In addition, we have been working with a number of other Unites States government agencies, including: the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC"), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ("OCC"), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), the Department of Justice ("DOJ"), and the Department of Labor ("DOL"). We also have Master Services Agreements with various law firms, corporations, banks, and other government agencies, which were only awarded after JND underwent rigorous reviews of our systems, privacy policies, and procedures. JND has also been certified as SOC 2 Compliant by noted accounting firm Moss Adams. Finally,

¹ As a SOC 2 Compliant organization, JND has passed an audit under AICPA (American Institute of Certified Public Accountants) criteria for providing data security.

JND has been recognized by various publications, including the *National Law Journal*, the *Legal Times*, and the *New York Law Journal*, for excellence in class action administration. Last year JND was named the #1 Class Action Claims Administrator in the U.S. by the national legal community and was inducted into the *National Law Journal* Hall of Fame for having held this title for multiple years. JND was also recognized last year as the Most Trusted Class Action Administration Specialists in the Americas by *New World Report* (formerly *U.S. Business News*) in the publication's 2022 Legal Elite Awards program.

- 5. The principals of JND collectively have over 80 years of experience in class action legal and administrative fields and have overseen claims processes for some of the largest legal claims administration matters in the country's history. JND was appointed the notice and claims administrator in the \$2.67 billion proposed Blue Cross Blue Shield class action settlement. We have also been handling the settlement administration of the \$1.3 billion Equifax Data Breach class action settlement, the largest class action ever in terms of the number of claims received; a voluntary remediation program in Canada on behalf of over 30 million people; the \$1.5 billion Mercedes-Benz Emissions class action settlements; the \$120 million GM Ignition class action economic settlement, where we sent notice to nearly 30 million class members; and the \$215 million USC Student Health Center class action settlement on behalf of women who were sexually abused by a doctor at USC, as well as hundreds of other matters. Our notice campaigns are regularly approved by courts throughout the United States.
- 6. As a member of JND's Legal Notice Team, I research, design, develop, and implement a wide array of legal notice programs to meet the requirements of Rule 23 and relevant state court rules. During my career, I have submitted declarations to courts throughout the country attesting to the creation and launch of various notice programs.

NOTICE PLAN OVERVIEW

- 7. We have been asked by Counsel to prepare a Notice Plan to reach potential class members and inform them about the action, as well as their rights and options.
- 8. The objective of the proposed Notice Plan is to provide the best notice practicable, consistent with the methods and tools employed in other court-approved notice programs. The FJC's Judges' Class Action Notice and Claims Process Checklist and Plain Language Guide considers a Notice Plan with a high reach (above 70%) effective.
- 9. The proposed Settlement Class consists of current and former owners of Phoenix Accumulator Universal Life and Phoenix Estate Legacy universal life policies issued by PHL Variable Insurance Company ("Defendant" or "PHL"), or its predecessors, that were subjected to the 2017 COI rate increase, excluding the Excluded Policies ("Settlement Class Members").
- 10. The proposed Notice Plan consists of a direct mailed notice effort to Settlement Class Members as identified by Defendant.
- 11. JND will also establish, maintain, and update a Class Website, where information about the Settlement, as well as copies of relevant case documentation, including but not limited to the Settlement Agreement, the Preliminary Approval Motion, the Class Notice, any potential Preliminary Approval Order, any proposed Final Approval Order and Judgment, and related documents will be accessible to Settlement Class Members; a toll-free telephone line with an interactive voice response (IVR) that Settlement Class Members may call to obtain more information; and a post office box to which Settlement Class Members may send their exclusion requests.
- 12. It is my understanding that the direct notice effort will provide notice to the vast majority of Settlement Class Members.
- 13. Based on my experience in developing and implementing class notice programs, I believe the proposed Notice Plan will provide the best notice practicable under the circumstances.

DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY

- 14. JND is well versed in the handling and management of sensitive information and has in place the technical, administrative, and physical controls necessary to ensure the ongoing confidentiality, integrity, and availability of data.
- 15. JND's security and privacy controls have been vetted and approved for use by a number of large banks, federal agencies including the FTC and SEC.
- 16. JND has adopted a NIST-based information security program, risk management framework, and SP 800 series of controls to ensure all safeguards are appropriately selected, implemented, and reviewed. Specific individuals have been assigned the responsibility for information security and data privacy throughout our organization. JND submits itself and its systems no less than annually to several independent assessments, such as, the AICPA's SOC II certification and External Penetration Testing performed by a reputable cybersecurity consulting firm. JND also maintains Business Continuity and Incident Response programs and performs no less than monthly vulnerability scanning and system patching.
- 17. JND performs background checks on all personnel at onboarding and requires each individual to enter into a non-disclosure and confidentiality agreement. Additionally, everyone must complete security and privacy training during the onboarding process, which educates staff on the proper handling of sensitive data. Refresher training is required of employees each year and JND periodically disseminates security and privacy awareness messages to all staff. Personnel are also required to review and attest to applicable security and privacy policies.
- 18. To help ensure the proper use of data, JND's systems have been designed with privacy in mind and utilize a role-based access control methodology to ensure access is granted in accordance with principle of least privilege. Access to the data is provided via a separate dedicated application for each class action ensuring data that has been collected for different purposes can

be processed separately. Additionally, JND only collects the minimum amount of data necessary to administer the class action at hand, stores data for each class action in a dedicated database to prevent comingling of data, utilizes that data only for purposes specified in the class action, and only retains data for the minimum amount of time required.

- 19. Industry standard logical access controls are in place to prevent unauthorized access to JND's network and systems. Access is only provided after proper approval is acquired, tracked in the ticketing system and information system audit logs, and all access and access levels are reviewed no less than quarterly. JND provides unique identifiers to each employee and requires complex passwords which expire at configured intervals, and also requires multifactor authentication for all remote access. All sessions occur via encrypted channels to ensure the confidentiality and integrity of the data being transmitted.
- 20. JND's defense-in-depth approach to security includes a myriad of tools and solutions to ensure its environment remains protected. Next Generation Firewalls are deployed at all perimeter points and provide intrusion detection and prevention protection (IDS/IPS) to proactively block suspicious and malicious traffic without the need for human intervention. Similarly, Web Application Firewalls (WAF) are in positioned in from of public facing web applications which are designed in adherence to industry standard architecture. Security event and audit log data is transmitted to JND's Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) solution which aggregates data from across the enterprise to deliver analytics and threat intelligence. This is coupled with an Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) solution, which is deployed on all endpoints to perform real-time and scheduled scanning along with behavioral analysis to ensure all systems are free from malicious software and activity. Encryption is also in use throughout JND's systems and services. Access to JND's information processing system is provided via a Microsoft IIS web application configured to be only accessible via Transport Layer Security (TLS) web traffic.

Transmission of data outside on JND's environment also occurs via TLS encrypted web traffic, via SFTP, or similarly protected secure and encrypted protocols. Data is housed in databases and protected with full and/or field/column level encryption to ensure the utmost security of data. Furthermore, the physical disks of all servers and workstations are protected with encryption, as well.

- 21. JND's Disaster Recovery solution performs backups of production systems by securely transmitting data at scheduled intervals to both a local and geographically separate offsite storage system. Not only is backup data encrypted in transit but also on the offsite storage itself. JND's backup system is highly configurable, scalable, and robust enough to accommodate any requirements.
- 22. JND facilities used to process or store data have in place adequate physical controls to prevent unauthorized access to, or dissemination of, sensitive information. Access to, and within, facilities is controlled by key cards assigned only to authorized personnel and only at the level required to perform job duties. Access to highly sensitive areas, such as datacenters, server rooms, mailrooms, etc., while also controlled by key cards, are controlled by restricted levels of access. Access to JND's facilities is reviewed periodically, as well. Facilities are also protected by alarm systems and employ CCTV monitoring and recording systems. JND educates staff on maintaining a clean desk and securely storing and disposing of sensitive documentation, and also prohibits by default access to removeable media devices. Disposal of media, whether physical or electronic, is done so securely and in accordance with NIST 800-88 guidelines to ensure the data cannot be reconstituted.
- 23. All data provided to JND in connection with this case will be handled according to JND's security protocols and applicable law.

DIRECT NOTICE

- 24. For this Settlement, JND will send a Class Notice by first-class mail to the addresses in the Class List that will be provided by Defendant.
- 25. Upon receipt of Class List, JND will promptly load the information into a secure case-specific database for this action. JND employs appropriate administrative, technical, and physical controls designed to ensure the confidentiality and protection of Settlement Class Member data, as well as to reduce the risk of loss, misuse, or unauthorized access, disclosure, or modification of Settlement Class Member data.
- 26. Prior to mailing the Class Notice, JND will run the mailing addresses through the United States Postal Service ("USPS") National Change of Address ("NCOA") database to update the addresses.² JND will track all notices returned undeliverable by the USPS and will promptly re-mail notices that are returned with a forwarding address. In addition, JND will also take reasonable efforts to locate a mailing address for any Settlement Class Member for whom a notice is returned without a forwarding address.
 - 27. A copy of the proposed Class Notice is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

CLASS WEBSITE

28. JND will develop, maintain, and update a Class Website that will allow Settlement Class Members to obtain more information about the Settlement. The website will have an easy-to-navigate design and will be formatted to emphasize important information regarding Settlement Class Members' rights, as well as the exclusion and objection deadlines. It will provide a link to

² The NCOA database is the official USPS technology product which makes change of address information available to mailers to help reduce undeliverable mail pieces before mail enters the mail stream. This product is an effective tool to update address changes when a person has completed a change of address form with the USPS. The address information is maintained on the database for 48 months.

download the long-form Class Notice (attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>), Settlement Agreement, Preliminary Approval Order, and other important court documents.

29. The Class Website will be optimized for mobile visitors so that information loads quickly on mobile devices and will also be designed to maximize search engine optimization through Google and other search engines. Keywords and natural language search terms will be included in the site's metadata to maximize search engine rankings.

TOLL-FREE NUMBER AND POST OFFICE BOX

- 30. JND will establish and maintain a dedicated toll-free telephone line for Settlement Class Members to call for information related to the action. The telephone line will be available 24 hours day, seven (7) days a week.
- 31. JND will also maintain a dedicated post office box where Settlement Class Members may send their exclusion requests.

NOTICE DESIGN AND CONTENT

32. JND designed the proposed notice documents so that they are written in plain language and comply with Rule 23's guidelines for class notice and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution, as well as the FJC's *Class Action Notice and Plain Language Guide*.

REACH

33. The direct mailed notice effort alone is expected to reach the vast majority of Settlement Class Members. As a result, the anticipated reach meets that of other court approved programs, and exceeds the 70% or above reach standard set forth by the FJC.

CONCLUSION

34. In my opinion, the proposed Notice Plan as described herein provides the best notice practicable under the circumstances, is consistent with the requirements of Rule 23, and is consistent with other similar court-approved notice programs.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on March 7, 2023, at Philadelphia, PA.

Gina Intrepido-Bowden

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- EXHIBIT A -

GINA INTREPIDO-BOWDEN

VICE PRESIDENT





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INTRODUCTION

Gina Intrepido-Bowden is a Vice President at JND Legal Administration ("JND"). She is a court recognized legal notice expert who has been involved in the design and implementation of hundreds of legal notice programs reaching class members/claimants throughout the U.S., Canada, and the world, with notice in over 35 languages. Some notable cases in which Gina has been involved include:

- Flaum v Doctor's Assoc., Inc., a \$30 million FACTA settlement
- FTC v. Reckitt Benckiser Grp. PLC, the \$50 million Suboxone branded drug antitrust settlement
- In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litig., a \$2.67 billion antitrust settlement
- In re General Motors LLC Ignition Switch Litig., the \$120 million GM Ignition Switch economic settlement
- In re Home Depot, Inc., Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig., a security breach impacting over 40 million consumers who made credit/debit card purchases in a Home Depot store
- In re Monitronics Int'l, Inc., a \$28 million TCPA settlement
- In re Residential Schools Litig., a complex Canadian class action incorporating a groundbreaking notice program to remote aboriginal persons qualified to receive benefits in the multi-billion-dollar settlement

- In re Royal Ahold Sec. and "ERISA", a \$1.1 billion securities settlement involving a comprehensive international notice effort
- In re Skelaxin (Metaxalone) Antitrust Litig., a prescription antitrust involving notice to both third party payor and consumer purchasers
- In re TJX Cos., Inc. Retail Sec. Breach Litig., this \$200 million settlement impacted 45 million credit/debit cards in the U.S. and Canada making it the then-largest theft of consumer data
- In re Trans Union Corp. Privacy Litig., a \$75 million data breach settlement involving persons with a credit history
- Thompson v Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., a large race-based pricing settlement involving 25 million policyholders
- USC Student Health Ctr. Settlement, a \$215 million settlement providing compensation to women who were sexually assaulted, harassed and otherwise abused by Dr. George M. Tyndall
- Williams v. Weyerhaeuser Co., a consumer fraud litigation involving exterior hardboard siding on homes and other structures

With more than 25 years of advertising research, planning and buying experience, Gina began her career working for one of New York's largest advertising agency media departments (BBDO), where she designed multi-million-dollar media campaigns for clients such as Gillette, GE, Dupont, and HBO. Since 2000, she has applied her media skills to the legal notification industry, working for several large legal notification firms. Gina is an accomplished author and speaker on class notice issues including effective reach, notice dissemination as well as noticing trends and innovations. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Advertising from Penn State University, graduating summa cum laude.



JUDICIAL RECOGNITION

Courts have favorably recognized Ms. Intrepido-Bowden's work as outlined by the sampling of Judicial comments below:

1. Honorable Dana M. Sabraw

In re Packaged Seafood Prods. Antitrust Litig. (EPP Class), (July 15, 2022) No. 15-md-02670 (S.D. Cal.):

An experienced and well-respected claims administrator, JND Legal Administration LLC ("JND"), administered a comprehensive and robust notice plan to alert Settlement Class Members of the COSI Settlement Agreement...The Notice Plan surpassed the 85% reach goal...The Court recognizes JND's extensive experience in processing claim especially for millions of claimants...The Court finds due process was satisfied and the Notice Program provided adequate notice to settlement class members in a reasonable manner through all major and common forms of media.

2. Judge Fernando M. Olguin

Gupta v. Aeries Software, Inc., (July 7, 2022)

No. 20-cv-00995 (C.D. Cal.):

Under the circumstances, the court finds that the procedure for providing notice and the content of the class notice constitute the best practicable notice to class members and complies with the requirements of due process...The court appoints JND as settlement administrator.

3. Judge Cormac J. Carney

Gifford v. Pets Global, Inc., (June 24, 2022)

No. 21-cv-02136-CJC-MRW (C.D. Cal.):

The Settlement also proposes that JND Legal Administration act as Settlement Administrator and offers a provisional plan for Class Notice... The proposed notice

plan here is designed to reach at least 70% of the class at least two times. The Notices proposed in this matter inform Class Members of the salient terms of the Settlement, the Class to be certified, the final approval hearing and the rights of all parties, including the rights to file objections or to opt-out of the Settlement Class... This proposed notice program provides a fair opportunity for Class Members to obtain full disclosure of the conditions of the Settlement and to make an informed decision regarding the Settlement.

4. Judge David J. Novak

Brighton Tr. LLC, as Tr. v. Genworth Life & Annuity Ins. Co., (June 3, 2022) No. 20-cv-240-DJN (E.D. Va.):

The Court appoints JND Legal Administration LLC ("JND"), a competent firm, as the Settlement Administrator...The Court approves the Notice Plan, as set forth in... paragraphs 9-15 and Exhibits B-C of the May 9, 2022 Declaration of Gina Intrepido-Bowden ("Intrepido-Bowden Declaration").

5. Judge Cecilia M. Altonaga

In re Farm-raised Salmon and Salmon Prod. Antitrust Litig., (May 26, 2022) No. 19-cv-21551-CMA (S.D. Fla.):

The Court approves the form and content of: (a) the Long Form Notice, attached as Exhibit B to the Declaration of Gina Intrepido-Bowden of JND Administration; and (b) the Informational Press Release (the "Press Release"), attached as Exhibit C to that Declaration. The Court finds that the mailing of the Notice and the Press Release in the manner set forth herein constitutes the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances, is valid, due, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto and complies fully with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the due process requirements of the Constitution of the United States.

6. Judge Victoria A. Roberts

Graham v. Univ. of Michigan, (March 29, 2022)

No. 21-cv-11168-VAR-EAS (E.D. Mich.):

The Court finds that the foregoing program of Class Notice and the manner of its dissemination is sufficient under the circumstances and is reasonably calculated to apprise the Settlement Class of the pendency of this Action and their right to object to the Settlement. The Court further finds that the Class Notice program is reasonable; that it constitutes due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice; and that it meets the requirements of due process and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23.

7. Honorable P. Kevin Castel

Hanks v. Lincoln Life & Annuity Co. of New York, (February 23, 2022) No. 16-cv-6399 PKC (S.D.N.Y.):

The Court appoints JND Legal Administration LLC ("JND"), a competent firm, as the Settlement Administrator...The form and content of the notices, as well as the manner of dissemination described below, meet the requirements of Rule 23 and due process, constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled thereto.

8. Judge William M. Conley

Bruzek v. Husky Oil Operations Ltd., (January 31, 2022)

No. 18-cv-00697 (W.D. Wis.):

The claims administrator estimates that at least 70% of the class received notice... the court concludes that the parties' settlement is fair, reasonable and adequate under Rule 23(e).

9. Honorable Dana M. Sabraw

In re Packaged Seafood Prods. Antitrust Litig. (DPP Class), (January 26, 2022) No. 15-md-02670 (S.D. Cal.):

The rigorous notice plan proposed by JND satisfies requirements imposed by Rule 23 and the Due Process clause of the United States Constitution. Moreover, the content of the notice satisfactorily informs Settlement Class members of their rights under the Settlement.

10. Honorable Dana M. Sabraw

In re Packaged Seafood Prods. Antitrust Litig. (EPP Class), (January 26, 2022))
No. 15-md-02670 (S.D. Cal.):

Class Counsel retained JND, an experienced notice and claims administrator, to serve as the notice provider and settlement claims administrator. The Court approves and appoints JND as the Claims Administrator. EPPs and JND have developed an extensive and robust notice program which satisfies prevailing reach standards. JND also developed a distribution plan which includes an efficient and user-friendly claims process with an effective distribution program. The Notice is estimated to reach over 85% of potential class members via notice placements with the leading digital network (Google Display Network), the top social media site (Facebook), and a highly read consumer magazine (People)... The Court approves the notice content and plan for providing notice of the COSI Settlement to members of the Settlement Class.

11. Judge Alvin K. Hellerstein

Leonard v. John Hancock Life Ins. Co. of NY, (January 10, 2022) No. 18-CV-04994 (S.D.N.Y.):

The Court appoints Gina Intrepido-Bowden of JND Legal Administration LLC, a competent firm, as the Settlement Administrator...the Court directs that notice be provided to class members through the Notices, attached as Exhibits B-C to the Declaration of Gina M. Intrepido-Bowden (the "Intrepido-Bowden Declaration"), and through the notice program described in described in Section 5 of the Agreement and

Paragraphs 24-33 of the Intrepido-Bowden Declaration. The Court finds that the manner of distribution of the Notices constitutes the best practicable notice under the circumstances as well as valid, due and sufficient notice to the Class and complies fully with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the due process requirements of the United States Constitution.

12. Judge Timothy J. Corrigan

Levy v. Dolgencorp, LLC, (December 2, 2021) No. 20-cv-01037-TJC-MCR (M.D. Fla.):

No Settlement Class Member has objected to the Settlement and only one Settlement Class Member requested exclusion from the Settlement through the opt-out process approved by this Court...The Notice Program was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The Notice Program provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed Settlement set forth in the Agreement, to all persons entitled to such notice. The Notice Program fully satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the United States Constitution, which include the requirement of due process.

13. Honorable Nelson S. Roman

Swetz v. GSK Consumer Health, Inc., (November 22, 2021) No. 20-cv-04731 (S.D.N.Y.):

The Notice Plan provided for notice through a nationwide press release; direct notice through electronic mail, or in the alternative, mailed, first-class postage prepaid for identified Settlement Class Members; notice through electronic media—such as Google Display Network and Facebook—using a digital advertising campaign with links to the dedicated Settlement Website; and a toll-free telephone number that provides Settlement Class Members detailed information and directs them to the Settlement Website. The record shows, and the Court finds, that the Notice Plan has been implemented in the manner approved by the Court in its Preliminary Approval Order.

14. Honorable James V. Selna

Herrera v. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., (November 16, 2021)

No. 18-cv-00332-JVS-MRW (C.D. Cal.):

On June 8, 2021, the Court appointed JND Legal Administration ("JND") as the Claims Administrator... JND mailed notice to approximately 2,678,266 potential Non-Statutory Subclass Members and 119,680 Statutory Subclass Members. Id. ¶ 5. 90% of mailings to Non-Statutory Subclass Members were deemed delivered, and 81% of mailings to Statutory Subclass Members were deemed delivered. Id. ¶ 9. Follow-up email notices were sent to 1,977,514 potential Non-Statutory Subclass Members and 170,333 Statutory Subclass Members, of which 91% and 89% were deemed delivered, respectively. Id. ¶ 12. A digital advertising campaign generated an additional 5,195,027 views. Id. ¶ 13...Accordingly, the Court finds that the notice to the Settlement Class was fair, adequate, and reasonable.

15. Judge Morrison C. England, Jr.

Martinelli v. Johnson & Johnson, (September 27, 2021)

No. 15-cv-01733-MCE-DB (E.D. Cal.):

The Court appoints JND, a well-qualified and experienced claims and notice administrator, as the Settlement Administrator.

16. Honorable Nathanael M. Cousins

Malone v. Western Digital Corp., (July 21, 2021)

No. 20-cv-03584-NC (N.D. Cal.):

The Court hereby appoints JND Legal Administration as Settlement Administrator... The Court finds that the proposed notice program meets the requirements of Due Process under the U.S. Constitution and Rule 23; and that such notice program-which includes individual direct notice to known Settlement Class Members via email, and a second reminder email, a media and Internet notice program, and the establishment of a Settlement Website and Toll-Free Number-is the best notice practicable under the circumstances and shall constitute due and sufficient notice

to all persons entitled thereto. The Court further finds that the proposed form and content of the forms of the notice are adequate and will give the Settlement Class Members sufficient information to enable them to make informed decisions as to the Settlement Class, the right to object or opt-out, and the proposed Settlement and its terms.

17. Judge Vernon S. Broderick, Jr.

In re Keurig Green Mountain Single-Serve Coffee Antitrust Litig., (June 7, 2021) No. 14-md-02542 (S.D.N.Y.):

The Notice Plan provided for notice through a nationwide press release, print notice in the national edition of People magazine, and electronic media—Google Display Network, Facebook, and LinkedIn—using a digital advertising campaign with links to a settlement website. Proof that Plaintiffs have complied with the Notice Plan has been filed with the Court. The Notice Plan met the requirements of due process and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23; constituted the most effective and best notice of the Agreement and fairness hearing practicable under the circumstances; and constituted due and sufficient notice for all other purposes to all other persons and entities entitled to receive notice.

18. Honorable Louis L. Stanton

Rick Nelson Co. v. Sony Music Ent., (May 25, 2021) No. 18-cv-08791 (S.D.N.Y.):

Notice of the pendency of this Action as a class action and of the proposed Settlement was given to all Class Members who could be identified with reasonable effort. The form and method of notifying the Class of the pendency of the action as a class action and of the terms and conditions of the proposed Settlement met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, 28 U.S.C. § 1715, due process, and any other applicable law, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled thereto.

19. Honorable Daniel D. Domenico

Advance Trust & Life Escrow Serv., LTA v. Sec. Life of Denver Ins. Co., (January 29, 2021) No. 18-cv-01897-DDD-NYW (D. Colo.):

The proposed form and content of the Notices meet the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2)(B)...The court approves the retention of JND Legal Administration LLC as the Notice Administrator.

20. Honorable Virginia A. Phillips

Sonner v. Schwabe North America, Inc., (January 25, 2021) No. 15-cv-01358 VAP (SPx) (C.D. Cal.):

Following preliminary approval of the settlement by the Court, the settlement administrator provided notice to the Settlement Class through a digital media campaign. (Dkt. 203-5). The Notice explains in plain language what the case is about, what the recipient is entitled to, and the options available to the recipient in connection with this case, as well as the consequences of each option. (Id., Ex. E). During the allotted response period, the settlement administrator received no requests for exclusion and just one objection, which was later withdrawn. (Dkt. 203-1, at 11).

Given the low number of objections and the absence of any requests for exclusion, the Class response is favorable overall. Accordingly, this factor also weighs in favor of approval.

21. Honorable R. Gary Klausner

A.B. v. Regents of the Univ. of California, (January 8, 2021) No. 20-cv-09555-RGK-E (C.D. Cal.):

The parties intend to notify class members through mail using UCLA's patient records. And they intend to supplement the mail notices using Google banners and Facebook ads, publications in the LA times and People magazine, and a national press release. Accordingly, the Court finds that the proposed notice and method of delivery sufficient and approves the notice.

22. Judge Jesse M. Furman

In re General Motors LLC Ignition Switch Litig., economic settlement, (December 18, 2020) No. 2543 (MDL) (S.D.N.Y.):

The Court finds that the Class Notice and Class Notice Plan satisfied and continue to satisfy the applicable requirements of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2)(b) and 23(e), and fully comply with all laws, including the Class Action Fairness Act (28 U.S.C. § 1711 et seq.), and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution (U.S. Const., amend. V), constituting the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances of this litigation.

23. Judge Vernon S. Broderick, Jr.

In re Keurig Green Mountain Single-Serve Coffee Antitrust Litig., (December 16, 2020) No. 14-md-02542 (S.D.N.Y.):

I further appoint JND as Claims Administrator. JND's principals have more than 75 years-worth of combined class action legal administration experience, and JND has handled some of the largest recent settlement administration issues, including the Equifax Data Breach Settlement. (Doc. $1115~\P~5$.) JND also has extensive experience in handling claims administration in the antitrust context. (Id. $\P~6$.) Accordingly, I appoint JND as Claims Administrator.

24. Judge R. David Proctor

In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litig., (November 30, 2020)

Master File No. 13-CV-20000-RDP (N.D. Ala.):

After a competitive bidding process, Settlement Class Counsel retained JND Legal Administration LLC ("JND") to serve as Notice and Claims Administrator for the settlement. JND has a proven track record and extensive experience in large, complex matters... JND has prepared a customized Notice Plan in this case. The Notice Plan was designed to provide the best notice practicable, consistent with the latest methods and tools employed in the industry and approved by other courts...The court finds that the proposed Notice Plan is appropriate in both form and content and is due to be approved.

25. Honorable Laurel Beeler

Sidibe v. Sutter Health, (November 5, 2020)

No. 12-cv-4854-LB (N.D. Cal.):

Class Counsel has retained JND Legal Administration ("JND"), an experienced class notice administration firm, to administer notice to the Class. The Court appoints JND as the Class Notice Administrator.

26. Judge Carolyn B. Kuhl

Sandoval v. Merlex Stucco Inc., (October 30, 2020)

No. BC619322 (Cal. Super. Ct.):

Additional Class Member class members, and because their names and addresses have not yet been confirmed, will be notified of the pendency of this settlement via the digital media campaign... the Court approves the Parties selection of JND Legal as the third-party Claims Administrator.

27. Honorable Louis L. Stanton

Rick Nelson Co. v. Sony Music Ent., (September 16, 2020)

No. 18-cv-08791 (S.D.N.Y.):

The parties have designated JND Legal Administration ("JND") as the Settlement Administrator. Having found it qualified, the Court appoints JND as the Settlement Administrator and it shall perform all the duties of the Settlement Administrator as set forth in the Stipulation...The form and content of the Notice, Publication Notice and Email Notice, and the method set forth herein of notifying the Class of the Settlement and its terms and conditions, meet the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, due process. and any other applicable law, constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled thereto.

28. Honorable Jesse M. Furman

In re General Motors LLC Ignition Switch Litig., economic settlement, (April 27, 2020) No. 2543 (MDL) (S.D.N.Y.):

The Court further finds that the Class Notice informs Class Members of the Settlement in a reasonable manner under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e)(1)(B) because it fairly apprises the prospective Class Members of the terms of the proposed Settlement and of the options that are open to them in connection with the proceedings.

The Court therefore approves the proposed Class Notice plan, and hereby directs that such notice be disseminated to Class Members in the manner set forth in the Settlement Agreement and described in the Declaration of the Class Action Settlement Administrator...

29. Honorable Virginia A. Phillips

Sonner v. Schwabe North America, Inc., (April 7, 2020)

No. 15-cv-01358 VAP (SPx) (C.D. Cal.):

The Court orders the appointment of JND Legal Administration to implement and administrate the dissemination of class notice and administer opt-out requests pursuant to the proposed notice dissemination plan attached as Exhibit D to the Stipulation.

30. Judge Fernando M. Olguin

Ahmed v. HSBC Bank USA, NA, (December 30, 2019)

No. 15-cv-2057-FMO-SPx (N.D. III.):

On June 21, 2019, the court granted preliminary approval of the settlement, appointed JND Legal Administration ("JND") as settlement administrator... the court finds that the class notice and the notice process fairly and adequately informed the class members of the nature of the action, the terms of the proposed settlement, the effect of the action and release of claims, the class members' right to exclude themselves from the action, and their right to object to the proposed settlement...the reaction of the class has been very positive.

31. Honorable Stephen V. Wilson

USC Student Health Ctr. Settlement, (June 12, 2019)

No. 18-cv-04258-SVW (C.D. Cal.):

The Court hereby designates JND Legal Administration ("JND") as Claims Administrator. The Court finds that giving Class Members notice of the Settlement is justified under Rule 23(e)(1) because, as described above, the Court will likely be able to: approve the Settlement under Rule 23(e)(2); and certify the Settlement Class for purposes of judgment. The Court finds that the proposed Notice satisfies the requirements of due process and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and provides the best notice practicable under the circumstances.

32. Judge J. Walton McLeod

Boskie v. Backgroundchecks.com, (May 17, 2019)

No. 2019CP3200824 (S.C. C.P.):

The Court appoints JND Legal Administration as Settlement Administrator...The Court approves the notice plans for the HomeAdvisor Class and the Injunctive Relief Class as set forth in the declaration of JND Legal Administration. The Court finds the class notice fully satisfies the requirements of due process, the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice plan for the HomeAdvisor Class and Injunctive Relief Class constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances of each Class.

33. Judge Kathleen M. Daily

Podawiltz v. Swisher Int'l, Inc., (February 7, 2019)

No. 16CV27621 (Or. Cir. Ct.):

The Court appoints JND Legal Administration as settlement administrator...The Court finds that the notice plan is reasonable, that it constitutes due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice, and that it meets the requirements of due process, ORCP 32, and any other applicable laws.

34. Honorable Kenneth J. Medel

Huntzinger v. Suunto Oy, (December 14, 2018) No. 37-2018-27159 (CU) (BT) (CTL) (Cal. Super. Ct.):

The Court finds that the Class Notice and the Notice Program implemented pursuant to the Settlement Agreement and Preliminary Approval Order constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances to all persons within the definition of the Class and fully complied with the due process requirement under all applicable statutes and laws and with the California Rules of Court.

35. Honorable Thomas M. Durkin

In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litig., (November 16, 2018)
No. 16-cv-8637 (N.D. III.):

The notice given to the Class, including individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable efforts, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. Said notice provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement, to all persons entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rules 23(c)(2) and 23(e)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process.

36. Honorable Kenneth J. Medel

Huntzinger v. Suunto Oy, (August 10, 2018) No. 37-2018-27159 (CU) (BT) (CTL) (Cal. Super. Ct.):

The Court finds that the notice to the Class Members regarding settlement of this Action, including the content of the notices and method of dissemination to the Class Members in accordance with the terms of Settlement Agreement, constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitute valid, due and sufficient notice to all Class Members, complying fully with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, California Civil Code § 1781, California Rules of Court Rules 3.766 and 3.769(f), the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law.

37. Honorable Thomas M. Durkin

In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litig., (June 22, 2018)

No. 16-cv-8637 (N.D. III.):

The proposed notice plan set forth in the Motion and the supporting declarations comply with Rule 23(c)(2)(B) and due process as it constitutes the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances, including individual notice vial mail and email to all members who can be identified through reasonable effort. The direct mail and email notice will be supported by reasonable publication notice to reach class members who could not be individually identified.

38. Judge John Bailey

In re Monitronics Int'l, Inc. TCPA Litig., (September 28, 2017)

No. 11-cv-00090 (N.D. W.Va.):

The Court carefully considered the Notice Plan set forth in the Settlement Agreement and plaintiffs' motion for preliminary approval. The Court finds that the Notice Plan constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and satisfies fully the requirements of Rule 23, the requirements of due process and any other applicable law, such that the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the releases provided therein, and this Court's final judgment will be binding on all Settlement Class Members.

39. Honorable Ann I. Jones

Eck v. City of Los Angeles, (September 15, 2017)

No. BC577028 (Cal. Super. Cal.):

The form, manner, and content of the Class Notice, attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibits B, E, F and G, will provide the best notice practicable to the Class under the circumstances, constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members, and fully complies with California Code of Civil Procedure section 382, California Code of Civil Procedure section 1781, the Constitution of the State of California, the Constitution of the United States, and other applicable law.

40. Honorable James Ashford

Nishimura v. Gentry Homes, LTD., (September 14, 2017) No. 11-11-1522-07-RAN (Haw. Cir. Ct.):

The Court finds that the Notice Plan and Class Notices will fully and accurately inform the potential Class Members of all material elements of the proposed Settlement and of each Class Member's right and opportunity to object to the proposed Settlement. The Court further finds that the mailing and distribution of the Class Notice and the publication of the Class Notices substantially in the manner and form set forth in the Notice Plan and Settlement Agreement meets the requirements of the laws of the State of Hawai'i (including Hawai'i Rule of Civil Procedure 23), the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), the Rules of the Court, and any other applicable law, constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constitutes due and sufficient notice to all potential Class Members.

41. Judge Cecilia M. Altonaga

Flaum v. Doctor's Assoc., Inc., (March 22, 2017) No. 16-cv-61198 (S.D. Fla.):

...the forms, content, and manner of notice proposed by the Parties and approved herein meet the requirements of due process and FED. R. CIV. P. 23(c) and (e), are the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constitute sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice, and satisfy the Constitutional requirements of notice. The Court approves the notice program in all respects (including the proposed forms of notice, Summary Notice, Full Notice for the Settlement Website, Publication Notice, Press Release and Settlement Claim Forms, and orders that notice be given in substantial conformity therewith.

42. Judge Manish S. Shah

Johnson v. Yahoo! Inc., (December 12, 2016) No. 14-cv-02028 (N.D. III.):

The Court approves the notice plan set forth in Plaintiff's Amended Motion to Approve Class Notice (Doc. 252) (the "Notice Plan"). The Notice Plan, in form,

method, and content, complies with the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and due process, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances.

43. Judge Joan A. Leonard

Barba v. Shire U.S., Inc., (December 2, 2016) No. 13-cv-21158 (S.D. Fla.):

The notice of settlement (in the form presented to this Court as Exhibits E, F, and G, attached to the Settlement Agreement [D.E. 423-1] (collectively, "the Notice") directed to the Settlement Class members, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances. In making this determination, the Court finds that the Notice was given to potential Settlement Class members who were identified through reasonable efforts, published using several publication dates in Better Homes and Gardens, National Geographic, and People magazines; placed on targeted website and portal banner advertisements on general Run of Network sites; included in e-newsletter placements with ADDitude, a magazine dedicated to helping children and adults with attention deficit disorder and learning disabilities lead successful lives, and posted on the Settlement Website which included additional access to Settlement information and a toll-free number. Pursuant to, and in accordance with, Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, the Court hereby finds that the Notice provided Settlement Class members with due and adequate notice of the Settlement, the Settlement Agreement, these proceedings, and the rights of Settlement Class members to make a claim, object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement.

44. Judge Marco A. Hernandez

Kearney v. Equilon Enter. LLC, (October 25, 2016)

No. 14-cv-00254 (D. Ore.):

The papers supporting the Final Approval Motion, including, but not limited to, the Declaration of Robert A. Curtis and the two Declarations filed by Gina Intrepido-Bowden, describe the Parties' provision of Notice of the Settlement. Notice was directed to all members of the Settlement Classes defined in paragraph 2, above. No objections to the method or contents of the Notice have been received. Based on the above-mentioned

declarations, inter alia, the Court finds that the Parties have fully and adequately effectuated the Notice Plan, as required by the Preliminary Approval Order, and, in fact, have achieved better results than anticipated or required by the Preliminary Approval Order.

45. Honorable Amy J. St. Eve

In re Rust-Oleum Restore Mktg, Sales Practices & Prod. Liab. Litig., (October 20, 2016)
No. 15-cv-01364 (N.D. III.):

The Notices of Class Action and Proposed Settlement (Exhibits A and B to the Settlement Agreement) and the method of providing such Notices to the proposed Settlement Class...comply with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e) and due process, constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and provide due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice of the settlement of this Action.

46. Honorable R. Gary Klausner

Russell v. Kohl's Dep't Stores, Inc., (October 20, 2016)

No. 15-cv-01143 (C.D. Cal.):

Notice of the settlement was provided to the Settlement Class in a reasonable manner, and was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including through individual notice to all members who could be reasonably identified through reasonable effort.

47. Judge Fernando M. Olguin

Chambers v. Whirlpool Corp., (October 11, 2016)

No. 11-cv-01733 (C.D. Cal.):

Accordingly, based on its prior findings and the record before it, the court finds that the Class Notice and the notice process fairly and adequately informed the class members of the nature of the action, the terms of the proposed settlement, the effect of the action and release of claims, their right to exclude themselves from the action, and their right to object to the proposed settlement.

48. Honourable Justice Stack

Anderson v. Canada, (September 28, 2016)

No. 2007 01T4955CP (NL Sup. Ct.):

The Phase 2 Notice Plan satisfies the requirements of the Class Actions Act and shall constitute good and sufficient service upon class members of the notice of this Order, approval of the Settlement and discontinuance of these actions.

49. Judge Mary M. Rowland

In re Home Depot, Inc., Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig., (August 23, 2016) No. 14-md-02583 (N.D. Ga.):

The Court finds that the Notice Program has been implemented by the Settlement Administrator and the parties in accordance with the requirements of the Settlement Agreement, and that such Notice Program, including the utilized forms of Notice, constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and satisfies due process and the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

50. Honorable Manish S. Shah

Campos v. Calumet Transload R.R., LLC, (August 3, 2016)

No. 13-cv-08376 (N.D. III.):

The form, content, and method of dissemination of the notice given to the Settlement Class were adequate, reasonable, and constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The notice, as given, provided valid, due, and sufficient notice of the Settlements, the terms and conditions set forth therein, and these proceedings to all Persons entitled to such notice. The notice satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure ("Rule 23") and due process.

51. Honorable Lynn Adelman

Fond Du Lac Bumper Exch., Inc. v. Jui Li Enter. Co., Ltd., (Indirect Purchaser), (July 7, 2016) No. 09-cv-00852 (E.D. Wis.):

The Court further finds that the mailing and publication of Notice in the manner set forth in the Notice Program is the best notice practicable under the circumstances; is valid, due and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class members; and complies fully with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the due process requirements of the Constitution of the United States. The Court further finds that the forms of Notice are written in plain language, use simple terminology, and are designed to be readily understandable by Settlement Class members.

52. Judge Marco A. Hernandez

Kearney v. Equilon Enter. LLC, (June 6, 2016) No. 14-cv-00254 (Ore. Dist. Ct.):

The Court finds that the Parties' plan for providing Notice to the Settlement Classes as described in paragraphs 35-42 of the Settlement Agreement and as detailed in the Settlement Notice Plan attached to the Declaration of Gina Intrepido-Bowden: (a) constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances of this Action; (b) constitutes due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Classes of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Classes, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the Final Approval Hearing; and (c) complies fully with the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and any other applicable law. The Court further finds that the Parties' plan for providing Notice to the Settlement Classes, as described in paragraphs 35-42 of the Settlement Agreement and as detailed in the Settlement Notice Plan attached to the Declaration of Gina Intrepido-Bowden, will adequately inform members of the Settlement Classes of their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Classes so as not to be bound by the Settlement Agreement.

53. Judge Joan A. Leonard

Barba v. Shire U.S., Inc., (April 11, 2016) No. 13-cv-21158 (S.D. Fla.):

The Court finds that the proposed methods for giving notice of the Settlement to members of the Settlement Class, as set forth in this Order and in the Settlement Agreement, meet the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 23 and requirements of state and federal due process, is the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto.

54. Honorable Manish S. Shah

Campos v. Calumet Transload R.R., LLC, (March 10, 2016 and April 18, 2016) No. 13-cv-08376 (N.D. III.):

The Court further finds that the mailing and publication of Notice in the manner set forth in the Notice Program is the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constitutes due and sufficient notice of the Settlement and this Order to all persons entitled thereto, and is in full compliance with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, applicable law, and due process.

55. Judge Thomas W. Thrash Jr.

In re Home Depot, Inc., Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig., (March 8, 2016) No. 14-md-02583 (N.D. Ga.):

The Court finds that the form, content and method of giving notice to the Class as described in Paragraph 7 of this Order and the Settlement Agreement (including the exhibits thereto): (a) will constitute the best practicable notice to the Settlement Class; (b) are reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the action, the terms of the proposed settlement, and their rights under the proposed settlement, including but not limited to their rights to object to or exclude themselves from the proposed settlement and other rights under the terms of the Settlement Agreement; (c) are reasonable and constitute due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all Class Members and other persons entitled to receive notice; and (d) meet all applicable requirements of law, including Fed. R.

Civ. P. 23(c) and (e), and the Due Process Clause(s) of the United States Constitution. The Court further finds that the Notice is written in plain language, uses simple terminology, and is designed to be readily understandable by Class Members.

56. Judge Mary M. Rowland

In re Sears, Roebuck and Co. Front-Loader Washer Prod. Liab. Litig., (February 29, 2016) No. 06-cv-07023 (N.D. III.):

The Court concludes that, under the circumstances of this case, the Settlement Administrator's notice program was the "best notice that is practicable," Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(2)(B), and was "reasonably calculated to reach interested parties," Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 339 U.S. 306, 318 (1950).

57. Honorable Lynn Adelman

Fond Du Lac Bumper Exch., Inc. v. Jui Li Enter. Ins. Co., (Indirect Purchaser-Tong Yang & Gordon Settlements), (January 14, 2016) No. 09-CV-00852 (E.D. Wis.):

The form, content, and methods of dissemination of Notice of the Settlements to the Settlement Class were reasonable, adequate, and constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The Notice, as given, provided valid, due, and sufficient notice of the Settlements, the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlements, and these proceedings to all persons and entities entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and due process requirements.

58. Judge Curtis L. Collier

In re Skelaxin (Metaxalone) Antitrust Litig., (December 22, 2015) No. 12-md-2343 (E.D. Tenn.):

The Class Notice met statutory requirements of notice under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirement process.

59. Honorable Mitchell D. Dembin

Lerma v. Schiff Nutrition Int'l, Inc., (November 3, 2015) No. 11-CV-01056 (S.D. Cal.):

According to Ms. Intrepido-Bowden, between June 29, 2015, and August 2, 2015, consumer publications are estimated to have reached 53.9% of likely Class Members and internet publications are estimated to have reached 58.9% of likely Class Members...The Court finds this notice (i) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise the putative Class Members of the pendency of the action, and of their right to object and to appear at the Final Approval Hearing or to exclude themselves from the Settlement, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) fully complied with due process principles and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23.

60. Honorable Lynn Adelman

Fond Du Lac Bumper Exch., Inc. v. Jui Li Enter. Ins. Co., (Indirect Purchaser-Gordon Settlement), (August 4, 2015) No. 09-CV-00852 (E.D. Wis.):

The Court further finds that the mailing and publication of Notice in the manner set forth in the Notice Program is the best notice practicable under the circumstances; is valid, due and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class members; and complies fully with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the due process requirements of the Constitution of the United States. The Court further finds that the forms of Notice are written in plain language, use simple terminology, and are designed to be readily understandable by Settlement Class members.

61. Honorable Sara I. Ellis

Thomas v. Lennox Indus. Inc., (July 9, 2015) No. 13-CV-07747 (N.D. III.):

The Court approves the form and content of the Long-Form Notice, Summary Notice, Postcard Notice, Dealer Notice, and Internet Banners (the "Notices") attached as

Exhibits A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 and A-5 respectively to the Settlement Agreement. The Court finds that the Notice Plan, included in the Settlement Agreement and the Declaration of Gina M. Intrepido-Bowden on Settlement Notice Plan and Notice Documents, constitutes the best practicable notice under the circumstances as well as valid, due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto, and that the Notice Plan complies fully with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and provides Settlement Class Members due process under the United States Constitution.

62. Honorable Lynn Adelman

Fond du Lac Bumper Exch., Inc. v. Jui Li Enter.Co., Ltd. (Indirect Purchaser-Tong Yang Settlement), (May 29, 2015) No. 09-CV-00852 (E.D. Wis.):

The Court further finds that the mailing and publication of Notice in the manner set forth in the Notice Program is the best notice practicable under the circumstances; is valid, due and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class members; and complies fully with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the due process requirements of the Constitution of the United States. The Court further finds that the forms of Notice are written in plain language, use simple terminology, and are designed to be readily understandable by Settlement Class members.

63. Honorable Mitchell D. Dembin

Lerma v. Schiff Nutrition Int'l, Inc., (May 25, 2015) No. 11-CV-01056 (S.D. Cal.):

The parties are to notify the Settlement Class in accordance with the Notice Program outlined in the Second Supplemental Declaration of Gina M. Intrepido-Bowden on Settlement Notice Program.

64. Honorable Lynn Adelman

Fond du Lac Bumper Exch., Inc. v. Jui Li Enter. Co., Ltd. (Direct Purchaser-Gordon Settlement), (May 5, 2015) No. 09-CV-00852 (E.D. Wis.):

The Notice Program set forth herein is substantially similar to the one set forth in the Court's April 24, 2015 Order regarding notice of the Tong Yang Settlement (ECF. No. 619) and combines the Notice for the Tong Yang Settlement with that of the Gordon Settlement into a comprehensive Notice Program. To the extent differences exist between the two, the Notice Program set forth and approved herein shall prevail over that found in the April 24, 2015 Order.

65. Honorable José L. Linares

Demmick v. Cellco P'ship, (May 1, 2015) No. 06-CV-2163 (D.N.J.):

The Notice Plan, which this Court has already approved, was timely and properly executed and that it provided the best notice practicable, as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, and met the "desire to actually inform" due process communications standard of Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 339 U.S. 306 (1950) The Court thus affirms its finding and conclusion in the November 19, 2014 Preliminary Approval Order that the notice in this case meets the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Due Process Clause of the United States and/or any other applicable law. All objections submitted which make mention of notice have been considered and, in light of the above, overruled.

66. Honorable David O. Carter

Cobb v. BSH Home Appliances Corp., (December 29, 2014) No. 10-CV-0711 (C.D. Cal.):

The Notice Program complies with Rule 23(c)(2)(B) because it constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provides individual notice to all Class Members who can be identified through reasonable effort, and is reasonably calculated under the circumstances to apprise the Class Members of the nature of the action,

the claims it asserts, the Class definition, the Settlement terms, the right to appear through an attorney, the right to opt out of the Class or to comment on or object to the Settlement (and how to do so), and the binding effect of a final judgment upon Class Members who do not opt out.

67. Honorable José L. Linares

Demmick v. Cellco P'ship, (November 19, 2014) No. 06-CV-2163 (D.N.J.):

The Court finds that the Parties' plan for providing Notice to the Settlement Classes as described in Article V of the Settlement Agreement and as detailed in the Settlement Notice Plan attached to the Declaration of Gina M. Intrepido-Bowden: (a) constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances of this Action; (b) constitutes due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Classes of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Classes, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the Final Approval Hearing; and (c) complies fully with the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and any other applicable law.

The Court further finds that the Parties' plan for providing Notice to the Settlement Classes as described in Article V of the Settlement Agreement and as detailed in the Settlement Notice Plan attached to the Declaration of Gina M. Intrepido-Bowden, will adequately inform members of the Settlement Classes of their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Classes so as to not be bound by the Settlement Agreement.

68. Honorable Christina A. Snyder

Roberts v. Electrolux Home Prod., Inc., (September 11, 2014) No. 12-CV-01644 (C.D. Cal.):

Accordingly, the Court hereby finds and concludes that members of the Settlement Class have been provided the best notice practicable of the Settlement and that such notice satisfies all requirements of federal and California laws and due process. The Court finally approves the Notice Plan in all respects...Any objections to the notice provided to the Class are hereby overruled.

69. Judge Gregory A. Presnell

Poertner v. Gillette Co., (August 21, 2014) No. 12-CV-00803 (M.D. Fla.):

This Court has again reviewed the Notice and the accompanying documents and finds that the "best practicable" notice was given to the Class and that the Notice was "reasonably calculated" to (a) describe the Action and the Plaintiff's and Class Members' rights in it; and (b) apprise interested parties of the pendency of the Action and of their right to have their objections to the Settlement heard. See Phillips Petroleum Co. v. Shutts, 472 U.S. 797, 810 (1985). This Court further finds that Class Members were given a reasonable opportunity to opt out of the Action and that they were adequately represented by Plaintiff Joshua D. Poertner. See Id. The Court thus reaffirms its findings that the Notice given to the Class satisfies the requirements of due process and holds that it has personal jurisdiction over all Class Members.

70. Honorable Christina A. Snyder

Roberts v. Electrolux Home Prod., Inc., (May 5, 2014) No. 12-CV-01644 (C.D. Cal.):

The Court finds that the Notice Plan set forth in the Settlement Agreement (§ V. of that Agreement) is the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice. The Court further preliminarily finds that the Notice itself IS appropriate, and complies with Rules 23(b)(3), 23(c)(2)(B), and 23(e) because it describes in plain language (1) the nature of the action, (2) the definition of the Settlement Class and Subclasses, (3) the class claims, issues or defenses, (4) that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires, (5) that the Court will exclude from the class any member who requests exclusion, (6) the time and manner for requesting exclusion, and (7) the binding effect of a judgment on Settlement Class Members under Rule 23(c)(3) and the terms of the releases. Accordingly, the Court approves the Notice Plan in all respects...

71. Honorable William E. Smith

Cappalli v. BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc., (December 12, 2013)

No. 10-CV-00407 (D.R.I.):

The Court finds that the form, content, and method of dissemination of the notice given to the Settlement Class were adequate and reasonable, and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The notice, as given, provided valid, due, and sufficient notice of these proceedings of the proposed Settlement, and of the terms set forth in the Stipulation and first Joint Addendum, and the notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Constitutional due process, and all other applicable laws.

72. Judge Gregory A. Presnell

Poertner v. Gillette Co., (November 5, 2013)

No. 12-CV-00803 (M.D. Fla.):

The Court finds that compliance with the Notice Plan is the best practicable notice under the circumstances and constitutes due and sufficient notice of this Order to all persons entitled thereto and is in full compliance with the requirements of Rule 23, applicable law, and due process.

73. Judge Marilyn L. Huff

Beck-Ellman v. Kaz USA, Inc., (June 11, 2013)

No. 10-cv-02134 (S.D. Cal.):

The Notice Plan has now been implemented in accordance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order...The Notice Plan was specially developed to cause class members to see the Publication Notice or see an advertisement that directed them to the Settlement Website...The Court concludes that the Class Notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rule 23(c)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and all due process requirements.

74. Judge Tom A. Lucas

Stroud v. eMachines, Inc., (March 27, 2013) No. CJ-2003-968 L (W.D. Okla.):

The Notices met the requirements of Okla. Stat. tit. 12 section 2023(C), due process, and any other applicable law; constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and constituted due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled thereto. All objections are stricken. Alternatively, considered on their merits, all objections are overruled.

75. Judge Marilyn L. Huff

Beck-Ellman v. Kaz USA, Inc., (January 7, 2013) No. 10-cv-02134 (S.D. Cal.):

The proposed Class Notice, Publication Notice, and Settlement Website are reasonably calculated to inform potential Class members of the Settlement, and are the best practicable methods under the circumstances... Notice is written in easy and clear language, and provides all needed information, including: (I) basic information about the lawsuit; (2) a description of the benefits provided by the settlement; (3) an explanation of how Class members can obtain Settlement benefits; (4) an explanation of how Class members can exercise their rights to opt-out or object; (5) an explanation that any claims against Kaz that could have been litigated in this action will be released if the Class member does not opt out; (6) the names of Class Counsel and information regarding attorneys' fees; (7) the fairness hearing date and procedure for appearing; and (8) the Settlement Website and a toll free number where additional information, including Spanish translations of all forms, can be obtained. After review of the proposed notice and Settlement Agreement, the Court concludes that the Publication Notice and Settlement Website are adequate and sufficient to inform the class members of their rights. Accordingly, the Court approves the form and manner of giving notice of the proposed settlement.

76. Judge Tom A. Lucas

Stroud v. eMachines, Inc., (December 21, 2012) No. CJ-2003-968 L (W.D. Okla.):

The Plan of Notice in the Settlement Agreement as well as the content of the Claim Form, Class Notice, Post-Card Notice, and Summary Notice of Settlement is hereby approved in all respects. The Court finds that the Plan of Notice and the contents of the Class Notice, Post-Card Notice and Summary Notice of Settlement and the manner of their dissemination described in the Settlement Agreement is the best practicable notice under the circumstances and is reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Putative Class Members of the pendency of this action, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object to the Settlement Agreement or exclude themselves from the Certified Settlement Class and, therefore, the Plan of Notice, the Class Notice, Post-Card Notice and Summary Notice of Settlement are approved in all respects. The Court further finds that the Class Notice, Post-Card Notice and Summary Notice of Settlement are reasonable, that they constitute due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice, and that they meet the requirements of due process.

77. Honorable Michael M. Anello

Shames v. Hertz Corp., (November 5, 2012) No. 07-cv-02174 (S.D. Cal.):

...the Court is satisfied that the parties and the class administrator made reasonable efforts to reach class members. Class members who did not receive individualized notice still had opportunity for notice by publication, email, or both...The Court is satisfied that the redundancies in the parties' class notice procedure—mailing, e-mailing, and publication—reasonably ensured the widest possible dissemination of the notice...The Court OVERRULES all objections to the class settlement...

78. Judge Ann D. Montgomery

In re Uponor, Inc., F1807 Plumbing Fittings Prod. Liab. Litig., (July 9, 2012) No. 11-MD-2247 (D. Minn.):

The objections filed by class members are overruled; The notice provided to the class was reasonably calculated under the circumstances to apprise class members of the pendency of this action, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object, opt out, and appear at the final fairness hearing;...

79. Judge Ann D. Montgomery

In re Uponor, Inc., F1807 Plumbing Fittings Prod. Liab. Litig., (June 29, 2012) No. 11-MD-2247 (D. Minn.):

After the preliminary approval of the Settlement, the parties carried out the notice program, hiring an experienced consulting firm to design and implement the plan. The plan consisted of direct mail notices to known owners and warranty claimants of the RTI F1807 system, direct mail notices to potential holders of subrogation interests through insurance company mailings, notice publications in leading consumer magazines which target home and property owners, and earned media efforts through national press releases and the Settlement website. The plan was intended to, and did in fact, reach a minimum of 70% of potential class members, on average more than two notices each...The California Objectors also take umbrage with the notice provided the class. Specifically, they argue that the class notice fails to advise class members of the true nature of the aforementioned release. This argument does not float, given that the release is clearly set forth in the Settlement and the published notices satisfy the requirements of Rule 23(c)(2)(B) by providing information regarding: (1) the nature of the action class membership; (2) class claims, issues, and defenses; (3) the ability to enter an appearance through an attorney; (4) the procedure and ability to opt-out or object; (5) the process and instructions to make a claim; (6) the binding effect of the class judgment; and (7) the specifics of the final fairness hearing.

80. Honorable Michael M. Anello

Shames v. Hertz Corp., (May 22, 2012) No. 07-cv-02174 (S.D. Cal.):

The Court approves, as to form and content, the Notice of Proposed Settlement of Class Action, substantially in the forms of Exhibits A-1 through A-6, as appropriate, (individually or collectively, the "Notice"), and finds that the e-mailing or mailing and distribution of the Notice and publishing of the Notice substantially in the manner and form set forth in ¶ 7 of this Order meet the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and due process, and is the best notice practicable under the circumstances and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all Persons entitled thereto.

81. Judge Ann D. Montgomery

In re Uponor, Inc., F1807 Plumbing Fittings Prod. Liab. Litig., (January 18, 2012) No. 11-MD-2247 (D. Minn.):

The Notice Plan detailed in the Affidavit of Gina M. Intrepido-Bowden provides the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes due and sufficient notice of the Settlement Agreement and the Final Fairness Hearing to the Classes and all persons entitled to receive such notice as potential members of the Class... The Notice Plan's multi-faceted approach to providing notice to Class Members whose identity is not known to the Settling Parties constitutes 'the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances' consistent with Rule 23(c)(2)(B)...Notice to Class members must clearly and concisely state the nature of the lawsuit and its claims and defenses, the Class certified, the Class member's right to appear through an attorney or opt out of the Class, the time and manner for opting out, and the binding effect of a class judgment on members of the Class. Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(2)(B). Compliance with Rule 23's notice requirements also complies with Due Process requirements. 'The combination of reasonable notice, the opportunity to be heard, and the opportunity to withdraw from the class satisfy due process requirements of the Fifth Amendment.' Prudential, 148 F.3d at 306. The proposed notices in the present case meet those requirements.

82. Judge Jeffrey Goering

Molina v. Intrust Bank, N.A., (January 17, 2012) No. 10-CV-3686 (Ks. 18th J.D. Ct.):

The Court approved the form and content of the Class Notice, and finds that transmission of the Notice as proposed by the Parties meets the requirements of due process and Kansas law, is the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constitutes due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto.

83. Judge Charles E. Atwell

Allen v. UMB Bank, N.A., (October 31, 2011) No. 1016-CV34791 (Mo. Cir. Ct.):

The form, content, and method of dissemination of Class Notice given to the Class were adequate and reasonable, and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The Notice, as given, provided valid, due, and sufficient notice of the proposed settlement, the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and these proceedings to all persons entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rule 52.08 of the Missouri Rules of Civil Procedure and due process.

84. Judge Charles E. Atwell

Allen v. UMB Bank, N.A., (June 27, 2011) No. 1016-CV34791 (Mo. Cir. Ct.):

The Court approves the form and content of the Class Notice, and finds that transmission of the Notice as proposed by the Parties meets the requirements of due process and Missouri law, is the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constitutes due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto.

85. Judge Jeremy Fogel

Ko v. Natura Pet Prod., Inc., (June 24, 2011) No. 09cv2619 (N.D. Cal.):

The Court approves, as to form and content, the Long Form Notice of Pendency and Settlement of Class Action ("Long Form Notice"), and the Summary Notice attached as Exhibits to the Settlement Agreement, and finds that the e-mailing of the Summary Notice, and posting on the dedicated internet website of the Long Form Notice, mailing of the Summary Notice post-card, and newspaper and magazine publication of the Summary Notice substantially in the manner as set forth in this Order meets the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and due process, and is the best notice practicable under the circumstances and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice.

86. Judge M. Joseph Tiemann

Billieson v. City of New Orleans, (May 27, 2011) No. 94-19231 (La. Civ. Dist. Ct.):

The plan to disseminate notice for the Insurance Settlements (the "Insurance Settlements Notice Plan") which was designed at the request of Class Counsel by experienced Notice Professionals Gina Intrepido-Bowden... IT IS ORDERED as follows: 1. The Insurance Settlements Notice Plan is hereby approved and shall be executed by the Notice Administrator; 2. The Insurance Settlements Notice Documents, substantially in the form included in the Insurance Settlements Notice Plan, are hereby approved.

87. Judge James Robertson

In re Dep't of Veterans Affairs (VA) Data Theft Litig., (February 11, 2009) MDL No. 1796 (D.D.C.):

The Court approves the proposed method of dissemination of notice set forth in the Notice Plan, Exhibit 1 to the Settlement Agreement. The Notice Plan meets the requirements of due process and is the best notice practicable under the circumstances. This method of Class Action Settlement notice dissemination is hereby approved by the Court.

88. Judge Louis J. Farina

Soders v. Gen. Motors Corp., (December 19, 2008) No. CI-00-04255 (C.P. Pa.):

The Court has considered the proposed forms of Notice to Class members of the settlement and the plan for disseminating Notice, and finds that the form and manner of notice proposed by the parties and approved herein meet the requirements of due process, are the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constitute sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice.

89. Judge Robert W. Gettleman

In re Trans Union Corp., (September 17, 2008) MDL No. 1350 (N.D. III.):

The Court finds that the dissemination of the Class Notice under the terms and in the format provided for in its Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, is due and sufficient notice for all purposes to all persons entitled to such notice, and fully satisfies the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the requirements of due process under the Constitution of the United States, and any other applicable law...Accordingly, all objections are hereby OVERRULED.

90. Judge William G. Young

In re TJX Cos. Retail Security Breach Litig., (September 2, 2008) MDL No. 1838 (D. Mass.):

...as attested in the Affidavit of Gina M. Intrepido...The form, content, and method of dissemination of notice provided to the Settlement Class were adequate and reasonable, and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The Notice, as given, provided valid, due, and sufficient notice of the proposed settlement, the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and these proceedings to all Persons entitled to such notice, and said Notice fully satisfied the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.

91. Judge David De Alba

Ford Explorer Cases, (May 29, 2008)

JCCP Nos. 4226 & 4270 (Cal. Super. Ct.):

[T]he Court is satisfied that the notice plan, design, implementation, costs, reach, were all reasonable, and has no reservations about the notice to those in this state and those in other states as well, including Texas, Connecticut, and Illinois; that the plan that was approved -- submitted and approved, comports with the fundamentals of due process as described in the case law that was offered by counsel.



SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- 1. 'Marching to Their Own Drumbeat.' What Lawyers Don't Understand About Notice and Claims Administration, AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, American Bar Association's (ABA) 23rd Annual National Institute on Class Actions, panelist (October 2019).
- 2. Rule 23 Amendments and Digital Notice Ethics, accredited CLE Program, presenter at Terrell Marshall Law Group PLLC, Seattle, WA (June 2019); Severson & Werson, San Francisco, CA and broadcast to office in Irvine (June 2019); Greenberg Traurig, LLP, Los Angeles, CA (May 2019); Chicago Bar Association, Chicago, IL (January 2019); Sidley Austin LLP, Century City, CA and broadcast to offices in Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Chicago, Washington D.C. (January 2019); Burns Charest LLP, Dallas, TX (November 2018); Lockridge Grindal Nauen P.L.L.P., Minneapolis, MN (October 2018); Zimmerman Reed LLP, Minneapolis, MN (October 2018).
- 3. **Ethics in Legal Notification, accredited CLE Program**, presenter at Kessler Topaz Meltzer & Check LLP, Radnor, PA (September 2015); The St. Regis Resort, Deer Valley, UT (March 2014); and Morgan Lewis & Bockius, New York, NY (December 2012).
- 4. **Pitfalls of Class Action Notice and Settlement Administration, accredited CLE Program**, PRACTISING LAW INSTITUTE (PLI), Class Action Litigation 2013, presenter/panelist (July 2013).
- 5. The Fundamentals of Settlement Administration, accredited CLE Program, presenter at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Chicago, IL (January 2013); Wexler Wallace LLP, Chicago, IL (January 2013); Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, Chicago, IL (October 2012); and Spector Roseman Kodroff & Willis, P.C., Philadelphia, PA (December 2011).
- 6. Class Action Settlement Administration Tips & Pitfalls on the Path to Approval, accredited CLE Program, presenter at Jenner & Block, Chicago, IL and broadcast to offices in Washington DC, New York and California (October 2012).
- 7. **Reaching Class Members & Driving Take Rates**, CONSUMER ATTORNEYS OF SAN DIEGO, 4th Annual Class Action Symposium, presenter/panelist (October 2011).

- 8. Legal Notice Ethics, accredited CLE Program, presenter at Heins Mills & Olson, P.L.C., Minneapolis, MN (January 2011); Lockridge Grindal Nauen P.L.L.P., Minneapolis, MN (January 2011); Chestnut Cambronne, Minneapolis, MN (January 2011); Berger & Montague, P.C., Anapol Schwartz, Philadelphia, PA (October 2010); Lundy Law, Philadelphia, PA (October 2010); Dechert LLP, Philadelphia, PA and broadcast to offices in California, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Texas, Washington D.C., and London and sent via video to their office in China (October 2010); Miller Law LLC, Chicago, IL (May 2010); Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll PLLC, New York, NY (May 2010); and Milberg LLP, New York, NY (May 2010).
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- 3. Gina M. Intrepido, Notice Experts May Help Resolve CAFA Removal Issues, Notification to Officials, 6 CLASS ACTION LITIG. REP. 759 (2005).
- 4. Todd B. Hilsee, Shannon R. Wheatman, & Gina M. Intrepido, *Do You Really Want Me to Know My Rights? The Ethics Behind Due Process in Class Action Notice Is More Than Just Plain Language: A Desire to Actually Inform*, 18 GEORGETOWN JOURNAL LEGAL ETHICS 1359 (2005).



CASE EXPERIENCE

Ms. Intrepido-Bowden has been involved in the design and implementation of hundreds of notice programs throughout her career. A partial listing of her case work is provided below.

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- EXHIBIT B -

If you own or owned a
Phoenix Accumulator
Universal Life or Phoenix
Estate Legacy policy issued by
PHL Variable that was
subject to a COI increase
starting in 2017 and ending in
2021, you may be affected by
a class action settlement

LEGAL NOTICE

Records indicate you may be affected by a proposed settlement reached in a class action lawsuit called Advance Trust & Life Escrow Services, LTA and James Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company, Case No. 18-cv-03444-MKV (S.D.N.Y.) (the "Settlement"). This Notice summarizes your rights and options. More details are available at www.xxxx.com.

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What is this about? The lawsuit alleges that PHL Variable Insurance Company ("PHL") breached its contracts with certain policy owners. Starting in August 2017, certain policy owners were issued letters announcing that certain Phoenix Accumulator Universal Life ("PAUL") and Phoenix Estate Legacy ("PEL") policies would be subject to a new cost of insurance ("COI") rate scale increase. Plaintiff asserts those increases violated the terms of the policy owners' contracts, and resulted in damages for Plaintiff and members of the Class. PHL denies Plaintiff's claims and asserts multiple defenses, including that PHL's challenged actions are lawful, justified, and have not harmed Plaintiff or caused any damages. The Court has not decided who is right or wrong. Instead, both sides have agreed to a Settlement to avoid the risks, costs, and delays of further litigation. This case does **not** concern a separate COI rate scale increase that PHL imposed starting in 2021, and no claims relating to that COI increase are being released through this settlement. A separate putative class action entitled *Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company*. Case No.3:22-cv-00552 (OAW), is pending with respect to that COI increase.

Who is affected? The Settlement Class consists of all owners of PAUL or PEL policies issued by PHL that experienced an increase to the COI rate scales between (i) November 5, 2017 and (ii) the monthly deduction immediately preceding the policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021. Excluded from the Settlement Class are Settlement Class are the Excluded Policies (go to www.xxx.com for a list of Excluded Policies); Class Counsel and their employees; PHL, its officers and directors, members of their immediate families, and the heirs, successors or assigns of any of the foregoing; and the Court, the Court's staff, and their immediate families.

What does the Settlement provide? A Settlement Fund of \$18.5 million will be established, but reduced proportionally if any Owners submit a timely and valid exclusion request ("Final Settlement Fund"). After payments for settlement administration, attorneys' fees (not to exceed 33 1/3% of the gross benefits provided by the Settlement) and litigation expenses, and an Incentive Award (up to \$25,000) for Plaintiff James Kenney; the remaining amount will be distributed to Settlement Class Members on a pro rata basis measured by dividing that Class Member's COI damages by the total overcharges damages incurred by the Final Settlement Class Members. No portion of the Settlement Fund will be returned to PHL. In addition, up until February 17, 2025, PHL agrees not to (1) raise the COI rate scales for the Class Policies above the current rate scales for PAUL 1, PAUL 2, PAUL 2C, PAUL 3, PAUL 3A, PAUL 3B, PAUL 3C, PAUL 4A, PEL 2, PEL 3, and PEL 3A that became effective on each policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021, unless requested to do so by any Government Regulators; and (2) take certain legal action or assert certain legal defenses challenging any policies in the Settlement Class. More details are outlined in the Settlement Agreement available at www.xxxx.com.

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<u>Do nothing.</u> You will be part of the Settlement Class and receive certain benefits from the Settlement. You will automatically receive a payment in the mail if you are entitled to one. You will be bound by the Settlement, and you will give up your right to sue or continue to sue PHL for the claims at issue in this case.

Exclude yourself. You will remove yourself from the Settlement Class. You will not receive a payment from the Settlement. You will keep your right to sue or continue to sue PHL at your own expense and with your own attorney for the claims in this case. Your exclusion request must include the case name (Advance Trust & Life Escrow Services, LTA and James Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Co.), a statement saying that you want to be excluded from the Settlement Class, your full name, address, telephone number, email address (if any), the policy number(s) to be excluded, and your signature. If you own multiple Class Policies, your exclusion will be for all Class Policies owned. Exclusion requests must be postmarked by Month x, 2023.

<u>Object</u>. If you do not exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you may object or tell the Court what you do not like about the Settlement. Objections must be **filed and served by Month x**, 2023.

For more details about your rights and options and how to exclude yourself or object, go to www.xxxx.com.

What happens next? The Court will hold a Fairness Hearing on Month x, 2023 at x:xx p.m. ET at x, to consider whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate; and how much to pay and reimburse Class Counsel and the named Plaintiff. The Court has appointed Susman Godfrey L.L.P. as Class Counsel. You or your attorney may ask to speak at the hearing at your own expense, but you do not have to.

How can I get more information? Go to www.xxxx.com, call toll-free 1-xxx-xxxx, or write to x, c/o JND Legal Administration, P.O. Box x, Seattle, WA 98111.

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- EXHIBIT C -

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

If you own or owned a Phoenix Accumulator Universal Life or Phoenix Estate Legacy policy issued by PHL Variable that was subject to a COI increase starting in 2017 and ending in 2021, you may be affected by a class action settlement

A court authorized this notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.

- A proposed settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit called *Advance Trust & Life Escrow Services*, *LTA and James Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company*, Case No. 18-cv-03444-MKV (S.D.N.Y.) (the "Settlement").
- Plaintiff alleges that Defendant PHL Variable Insurance Company ("PHL") breached its contracts with certain policy owners. Starting in August 2017, certain policy owners were issued letters announcing that certain Phoenix Accumulator Universal Life ("PAUL") and Phoenix Estate Legacy ("PEL") policies would be subject to a new cost of insurance ("COI") rate increase. Plaintiff asserts those COI rate increases violated the terms of the policy holders' contracts, and that Plaintiff and members of the Class have been damaged as a result. PHL denies Plaintiff's claims and asserts multiple defenses, including that PHL's challenged actions are lawful, justified, and have not harmed Plaintiff or caused any damages.
- If the Court approves the Settlement, Settlement Class Members will be eligible to receive payment from a cash Settlement Fund of \$18.5 million, as further detailed in Question x.
- In addition, up until two years following the effective date of the Settlement, PHL agrees that COI rate scales for the Class Policies will not be increased above the current rate scales for PAUL 1, PAUL 2, PAUL 2C, PAUL 3, PAUL 3A, PAUL 3B, PAUL 3C, PAUL 4, PAUL 4A, PEL 2, PEL 3, and PEL 3A that became effective on each policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021, unless requested to do so by any Government Regulators. PHL also agrees that it will not take certain legal action or assert certain legal defenses challenging death claims for any Settlement Class Member as outlined in the Settlement Agreement available at www.xxxx.com.
- You are a Settlement Class Member if you own or owned a PAUL or PEL policy issued by PHL that experienced an increase to the COI rate scales between (i) November 5, 2017 and (ii) the monthly deduction immediately preceding the policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021. Specifically excluded from the Settlement Class are the Excluded Policies (See Question x); Class Counsel and their employees; PHL, its officers and directors, members of their immediate families, and the heirs, successors or assigns of any of the foregoing; and the Court, the Court's staff, and their immediate families. Your legal rights are affected whether or not you act. Please read this Notice carefully.

	YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTION	S
Do Nothing	 Get certain benefits from the Settlement — Automatically receive a payment in the mail if you are entitled to one Be bound by the Settlement Give up your right to sue or continue to sue PHL for the claims in this case 	
Ask to be Excluded ("Opt Out")	 Remove yourself from the Settlement Class Get no benefits from the Settlement Keep your right to sue or continue to sue PHL, at your own expense, for the claims in this case 	Postmarked by Month x, 2023
Object	• Tell the Court what you do not like about the Settlement. The purpose of an objection to the Settlement is to persuade the Court not to approve the proposed Settlement. A successful objection to the Settlement may mean that the objector and other members of the Settlement Class are not bound by the Settlement.	Filed and served by Month x, 2023

- These rights and options—and the deadlines to exercise them—are explained in this Notice. The deadlines may be moved, cancelled, or otherwise modified, so please check www.xxxxxxxx.com regularly for updates and further details.
- The Court in charge of this case still has to decide whether to approve the Settlement. Payments will be made if the Court approves the Settlement and after any appeals are resolved. Please be patient.

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BASIC INFORMATION

1. Why was this Notice issued?

You have a right to know about a proposed Settlement and your rights and options before the Court decides whether to approve the Settlement.

Honorable Mary Kay Vyskocil of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") is in charge of this case. The case is called *Advance Trust & Life Escrow Services, LTA and James Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company*, Case No. 18-CV-3444 (MKV). The individuals who originally sued are Plaintiffs ATLES and James Kenney. ATLES subsequently dismissed its claims without prejudice and the action continues to be prosecuted by the remaining plaintiff Mr. Kenney. The company sued, PHL, is called the Defendant.

2. What is this lawsuit about?

The class action lawsuit alleges that PHL breached its contracts with certain policy owners. Starting in August 2017, certain policy owners were issued letters announcing that certain PAUL and PEL policies would be subject to a new COI rate increase. Plaintiff asserts those COI rate increases violated the terms of the policy holders' contracts, and that Plaintiff and members of the Class have been damaged as a result. PHL denies Plaintiff's claims; however, both sides have agreed to the Settlement to avoid the risks, costs, and delays of further litigation, including an appeal, so that people affected will get a chance to receive compensation.

This lawsuit does not implicate the COI rate increase announced on or around November 2, 2020. That increase (the "2021 Increase"), effective beginning on each policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021, is subject to separate litigation in *Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company*, Case No.3:22-cv-00552 (OAW), currently pending in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut. The proposed Settlement specifically excludes all claims related to the 2021 Increase as well as any claims related to future COI rate scale increases, or changes to any other policy charges and credits, imposed after December 31, 2020.

3. Which life insurance policies are affected by the lawsuit?

The Settlement Class consists of all owners of PAUL or PEL policies issued by PHL that experienced an increase to the COI rate scales between (i) November 5, 2017 and (ii) the monthly deduction immediately preceding the policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021. Excluded from the Settlement Class are the Excluded Policies (*See* below); Class Counsel and their employees; PHL, its officers and directors, members of their immediate families, and the heirs, successors or assigns of any of the foregoing; and the Court, the Court's staff, and their immediate families.

Excluded Policies include Policy Nos. 97523677 and 97523828, which are owned by Conestoga Trust and Conestoga Trust Services, LLC and subject to separate pending litigation against PHL; and the policies listed in the chart below, which are subject to prior settlement agreements. To the extent an owner owns both Class Policy(ies) and Excluded Policy(ies), the owner is included

in the Class with respect to the Class Policy(ies), but not with respect to any Excluded Policy(ies).

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4. What is a class action and who is involved?

In a class action, a person(s) or entity(ies) called a "Class Representative(s)" sues on behalf of all individuals who have a similar claim. Here, Plaintiff James Kenney represents other eligible PAUL and PEL policy owners and together they are called the "Class" or "Class Members." Plaintiff James Kenney will serve as Class Representative. Bringing a case, such as this one, as a class action allows resolution of many similar claims of persons and entities that might be economically too small to bring in individual actions. One court resolves the issues for all class members, except for those who validly exclude themselves from the class.

5. Why is this lawsuit a class action?

In the Court's Order Preliminarily Approving Class Action Settlement, the Court decided that the settlement of the breach of contract claim against PHL in this lawsuit can proceed as a class action because, at that point of the lawsuit, it met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which governs class actions in federal court. The Court found that:

- There are numerous Class Members whose interests will be affected by this lawsuit;
- There are legal questions and facts that are common to each of them;
- The Class Representative's claims are typical of the claims of the rest of the Class;
- The Class Representative and the lawyers representing the Class will fairly and adequately represent the interests of the Class;
- A class action would be a fair, efficient and superior way to resolve this lawsuit;
- The common legal questions and facts predominate over questions that affect only individual Class Members; and
- The Class is ascertainable because it is defined by identifiable objective criteria.

In certifying the Class, the Court appointed Susman Godfrey LLP as Class Counsel. For more information, visit the Important Documents page at www.xxxxxx.com.

6. Why is there a Settlement?

PHL denies any and all liability or wrongdoing of any sort with regard to the 2017 COI rate increase. Instead, the parties with the assistance of an experienced mediator, Eric Green, Esq., with Resolutions, LLC, have agreed to the Settlement. The parties want to avoid the risks, costs, and delays of further litigation. The Court has not decided in favor of the Plaintiff or the Defendant. Plaintiff and Class Counsel think the Settlement is in the best interests of the Settlement Class and is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

THE SETTLEMENT CLASS

7. Am I part of the Settlement Class?

The Settlement Class consists of all owners of PAUL or PEL policies issued by PHL that experienced an increase to the COI rate scales between (i) November 5, 2017 and (ii) the monthly deduction immediately preceding the policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021. See Questions 3 and 8 for more information.

8. Are there exceptions to being included?

Yes. Excluded from the Settlement Class are the Excluded Policies (*See* Question 3); Class Counsel and their employees; PHL, its officers and directors, members of their immediate families, and the heirs, successors or assigns of any of the foregoing; and the Court, the Court's staff, and their immediate families.

In addition, policy owners have an opportunity to request exclusion from the Settlement, as described below. Policy owners that timely and validly request exclusion will not be part of the Settlement Class and will not be entitled to any of its benefits.

An individual or entity that is the Owner of multiple policies in the Settlement Class cannot exclude less than all of the Owner's policies from the Settlement Class. If a representative owner (such as a securities intermediary or trustee) owns multiple policies on behalf of different principals, that owner may stay in or Opt-Out of the Settlement Class separately for each policy.

9. What if I am still not sure if I am included?

If you are still not sure whether you are a Settlement Class Member, please visit www.xxxxxx.com, call the Settlement Administrator toll-free at 1-xxx-xxx-xxxx, or write to: x Settlement Administrator, c/o JND Legal Administration, P.O. Box x, Seattle, WA 98111.

WHAT SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBERS GET

10. What does the Settlement provide?

A Settlement Fund of \$18.5 million will be established for Settlement Class Members. The Settlement Fund will be reduced proportionally if there are any Opt-Outs from the Settlement Class. After payment of the cost to administer the Settlement Fund as well as attorneys' fees and expenses and the payments to the Class Representative (*see* Question 18 below), the Settlement Administrator will distribute the remaining amounts to Settlement Class Members on a pro-rata basis calculated by dividing that Class member's COI overcharges by the total overcharges damages incurred by the Final Settlement Class Members. No portion of the Settlement Fund will be returned to PHL.

In addition, up until February 17, 2025, PHL has also agreed not to:

• Raise the COI rates scales for the Class Policies above the current rate scales for PAUL 1, PAUL 2, PAUL 2C, PAUL 3, PAUL 3A, PAUL 3B, PAUL 3C, PAUL 4, PAUL 4A,

PEL 2, PEL 3, and PEL 3A that became effective on each policy's first policy anniversary date falling on or after January 1, 2021, unless requested to do so by any Government Regulators. This obligation is referred to as the "COI Increase Moratorium."

If by February 17, 2025, PHL reaches an agreement to not increase the COI rate scales on any Opt-Out Policies for a period ending later than February 17, 2025, PHL will extend the duration of the COI Increase Moratorium on the Settlement Class Policies to be as long as the settling Opt-Out Policies duration. Any agreement that would exempt any Opt-Out Policies from an additional COI rate scale increase, including any type of rebate, refund, or discount of an additional COI rate scale increase, will be treated as triggering this provision extending the COI Increase Moratorium. No party will have any rights under this provision until PHL actually implements an additional COI rate scale increase on the Settlement Class Policies.

• Take certain legal action or assert certain legal defenses challenging death claims for any Settlement Class Member.

More details are in a document called the Settlement Agreement, which is available at www.xxxxx.com.

11. What am I giving up by staying in the Settlement?

If you are a Settlement Class Member, unless you exclude yourself from the Settlement, you cannot sue, continue to sue, or be part of any other lawsuit against PHL about the facts that arise from the same factual predicate of the claims released in this Settlement. It also means that all the decisions by the Court will bind you. The Released Claims and Released Parties are defined in the Settlement Agreement. They describe the legal claims that you give up if you stay in the Settlement. The Settlement Agreement is available at www. xxxxx.com.

The Released Claims do not include claims related to the 2021 Increase as well as any claims related to future COI rate scale increases, or changes to any other policy charges and credits, imposed after December 31, 2020.

HOW TO GET A PAYMENT

12. How can I get a payment?

You will automatically receive a payment in the mail if you are entitled to one. No claims need to be filed.

13. When will I get my payment?

Payments will be mailed to Settlement Class Members after the Court grants "final approval" of the Settlement and after all appeals are resolved. If the Court approves the Settlement, there may be appeals. It is always uncertain whether these appeals can be resolved and resolving them can take time. Please be patient.

EXCLUDING YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT

If you do not want a payment from the Settlement or you want to keep the right to sue or continue to sue PHL on your own about the claims released in the Settlement, then you must take steps to get out of the Settlement. This is called excluding yourself—or it is sometimes referred to as "opting out" of the Settlement.

14. How do I ask to be excluded?

To exclude yourself (or "Opt-Out") of the Settlement, you must complete and mail the Settlement Administrator a written request for exclusion. The exclusion request must include the following:

- Your full name, address, telephone number, and email address (if any);
- A statement says that you want to be excluded from the Settlement Class;
- The case name (Advance Trust & Life Escrow Services, LTA and James Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company);
- The policy number(s) to be excluded; and
- Your signature.

You must mail your exclusion request **postmarked by Month x, 2023** to:

x Settlement Administrator c/o JND Legal Administration P.O. Box x Seattle, WA 98111

If you own multiple Class Policies, your exclusion will be for all Class Policies owned. However, an Owner who owns multiple Class Policies in a representative or agency capacity (such as a trustee, securities intermediary, or other similar agency) for more than one principal, may request to exclude Class Policies from the Settlement held on behalf of one principal while participating in the Settlement with respect to Class Policies held by other principals.

IF YOU DO NOT EXCLUDE YOURSELF BY MONTH X, 2023, YOU WILL REMAIN PART OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASS AND BE BOUND BY THE ORDERS OF THE COURT IN THIS LAWSUIT.

15. If I don't exclude myself, can I sue PHL for the same thing later?

No. Unless you exclude yourself, you give up any right to sue PHL for the claims that this Settlement resolves. If you have a pending lawsuit, speak to your lawyer in that lawsuit immediately. You must exclude yourself from this Settlement to continue your own lawsuit. If you properly exclude yourself from the Settlement, you will not be bound by any orders or judgments entered in the Action relating to the Settlement.

16. If I exclude myself, can I still get a Settlement payment?

No. You will not get any money from the Settlement if you exclude yourself.

THE LAWYERS REPRESENTING YOU

17. Do I have a lawyer in this case?

Yes. The Court has appointed the following lawyers as "Class Counsel."

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18. How will the lawyers be paid?

The Court will determine how much Class Counsel will be paid for fees and expenses. Class Counsel will file a motion seeking an award for attorneys' fees not to exceed 33 1/3% of the gross benefits provided to the Settlement Class, and reimbursement for all expenses incurred or to be incurred, payable only from the Final Settlement Fund. Class Counsel will also seek an Incentive Award up to \$25,000 for Plaintiff James Kenney for his service as the representative on behalf of the Settlement Class, to be paid from the Final Settlement Fund. You will not be responsible for direct payment of any of these fees, expenses, or awards.

19. Should I get my own lawyer?

If you stay in the Settlement Class, you do not need to hire your own lawyer to pursue the claims against PHL. Class Counsel is working on behalf of the Settlement Class. However, if you want to be represented by your own lawyer, you may hire one at your own expense and cost.

OBJECTING TO THE SETTLEMENT

20. How can I tell the Court if I do not like the Settlement?

Any Settlement Class Member who does not timely and properly opt out of the Settlement may object to the fairness, reasonableness, or adequacy of the proposed Settlement. Settlement Class Members who wish to object to any term of the Settlement must do so, in writing, by filing a written objection with the Court, and serving copies on Class Counsel and Counsel for Defendant. The written objection must include:

- Your full name, address, telephone number, and email address (if any);
- The case name (Advance Trust & Life Escrow Services, LTA and James Kenney v. PHL Variable Insurance Company);
- The policy number(s);
- A written statement of all grounds for the objection accompanied by any legal support for the objection (if any);
- Copies of any papers, briefs, or other documents upon which the objection is based;
- A statement of whether you intend to appear at the Fairness Hearing; and
- Your or your counsel's signature.

If you intend to appear at the Fairness Hearing through counsel, the written objection must also state the identity of all attorneys representing you who will appear at the Fairness Hearing. Your objection, along with any supporting material you wish to submit, must be filed with the Office of the Court, with a copy served on Class Counsel and Counsel for Defendant by Month x, 2023 at the following addresses:

Clerk of the Court		
x x		
Class Counsel	Counsel for Defendant	
Steven G. Sklaver	Thomas A. Hetherington	
SUSMAN GODFREY LLP	McDowell Hetherington LLP	
1900 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 1400	1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2400	
Los Angeles, CA 90067-6029	Houston, TX 77002	

21. What is the difference between objecting and excluding?

Objecting is simply telling the Court that you do not like something about the Settlement. You can object to the Settlement only if you do not exclude yourself from the Settlement. The purpose of an objection to the Settlement is to persuade the Court not to approve the proposed Settlement. A successful objection to the Settlement may mean that the objector and other members of the Class are not bound by the Settlement. Excluding yourself from the Settlement is telling the Court that you do not want to be part of the Settlement. If you exclude yourself from the Settlement, you have no basis to object to the Settlement because it no longer affects you.

THE COURT'S FAIRNESS HEARING

22. When and where will the Court decide whether to approve the Settlement?

The Court will hold a Fairness Hearing on Month x, 2023 at x:xx p.m. ET at x. At the Fairness Hearing, the Court will consider whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court will also consider how much to pay and reimburse Class Counsel and any Incentive Award payment to Plaintiff. If there are objections, the Court will consider them at this time. After the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the Settlement. We do not know how long these decisions will take.

23. Do I have to come to the hearing?

No. But you or your own lawyer may attend at your expense. If you submit an objection, you do not have to come to Court to talk about it. As long as you filed and served your written objection on time to the proper addresses, the Court will consider it.

24. May I speak at the hearing?

Yes. You may ask the Court for permission to speak at the Fairness Hearing. To do so, you must send a letter saying that it is your "Notice of Intent to Appear." Your request must state your name, address, and telephone number, as well as the name, address, and telephone number of the person that will appear on your behalf. Your request must be filed with the Clerk of the Court and served on Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel no later than Month x, 2023.

IF YOU DO NOTHING

25. What happens if I do nothing at all?

Those who are eligible to receive a payment from the Settlement do not need to do anything to receive payment; you will automatically receive a payment from the Settlement. Unless you exclude yourself, you won't be able to start a lawsuit, continue with a lawsuit, or be part of any other lawsuit against PHL about the legal issues that arise from the same factual predicate of this case, ever again.

GETTING MORE INFORMATION

26. How can I get more information?

This Notice summarizes the proposed Settlement. More details are in the Settlement Agreement, available at www.xxxxxx.com. You can also call the Settlement Administrator toll-free at 1-xxx-xxxx, or write to:

x Settlement Administrator c/o JND Legal Administration P.O. Box x Seattle, WA 98111

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT