

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

IN RE: BESTWAY ABOVE-GROUND
POOLS LITIGATION

Case No.: 1:25-cv-09570

**DECLARATION OF BRANDON
SCHWARTZ REGARDING NOTICE
PLAN AND SETTLEMENT
ADMINISTRATION**

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I, Brandon Schwartz, declare as follows:

1. I serve as the Director of Legal Notice, and I am preparing this Declaration for the proposed notice administrator, Eisner Advisory Group, LLC ("EAG" or "EisnerAmper"), a full-service administration firm providing legal administration services, including the design, development, and implementation of unbiased complex legal notification programs. EAG was asked by Class Counsel to develop and execute the proposed Notice Plan, as well as administer the claims process in the above-referenced matter (the "Action")¹. The following statements are based on my personal knowledge as well as information provided by other experienced employees working under my supervision.

2. EAG routinely undertakes the creation and execution of notice plans, along with the administration of diverse class action and mass action settlements. Our expertise extends across a wide array of subject matters, encompassing but not limited to products liability, consumer rights, privacy, healthcare, antitrust, insurance, and mass tort. The members of the EAG team possess extensive experience in the design and implementation of notice procedures

¹ All capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this document shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Settlement Agreement.

involving various aspects of class certification and settlement programs. For more detailed information about EAG, visit at www.eisneramper.com.

EXPERIENCE

3. I have over fifteen years of experience designing, implementing, and overseeing class notice programs in complex litigation. I have developed and executed comprehensive notice strategies across all phases of class certification and settlement. My experience includes managing large-scale notice campaigns utilizing postal, email, and digital channels; designing and applying reach, frequency, and demographic analyses; and media planning, development, and placement, including digital and social media initiatives. I am familiar with industry best practices for notice design and distribution and routinely apply professional judgment to ensure that notice programs are effective, appropriately targeted, and consistent with applicable legal standards.

4. I have designed, implemented, and managed notice campaigns in more than 100 matters. Some of my notice plans include: *Tapia-Rendon v. Employer Solutions Staffing Group II, LLC, et al.*, Case No. 21-cv-3400 (N.D. Ill.); *Lewis v. Lytx Inc.*, Case No. 3:22-CV-00046 (S.D. Ill.); *Hezi v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.*, No. 1:21-cv-09892 (S.D.N.Y.); *Gilmore v. Monsanto*, No. 3:21-cv-8159 (N.D. Cal.); *Krommenhock v. Post Foods, LLC*, No. 3:16-cv-04958 (N.D. Cal.); *Rivera, et al. v Google LLC*, 2019-CH-00990 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty.); and *In re: Valsartan N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) Products Liability Litigation (non-settlement)*, Case No. 19-md-2875 (D.N.J.). A description of my experience is attached as **Exhibit A**.

5. As outlined in the following section, courts have consistently acknowledged both the credibility of EAG (curriculum vitae attached hereto as **Exhibit B**) and the effectiveness of my class action notice plans. Illustrative court opinions affirming the sufficiency of EAG's notice plans include:

- a. On December 1, 2025, in *Sewall, et al. v. Home Partners Holdings LLC, et al.*, No. 1:25-cv-07849 (N.D. Ill.), Judge Sunil R. Harjani ruled:

The notice given to the Settlement Class, including individual notice to all members of the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable efforts, was the most effective and

practicable under the circumstances. This notice provided due and sufficient notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed Settlement, to all persons entitled to such notice, and this 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

- b. In the matter *H.K. et al. v. Google LLC*, No. CC 20LL00017 (Cir. Ct. 9th Jud. Dist., McDonough Cnty., Ill.), Judge Heidi A. Benson ruled on October 17, 2025:

Pursuant to this Court's Order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement, Eisner Amper (formerly Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC) served as Settlement Administrator. This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.

- c. On March 21, 2025, in *Milan, et al. v. Clif Bar & Company*, No. 18-cv-02354-JD (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato ruled:

The distribution of the Class Notice pursuant to the Class Notice Program constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfies the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process.

- d. On January 3, 2025, in *Meholic, et al. v. Seattle Arena Company*, No. 24-2-06283-1 (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Lindsey M. Teppner ruled:

The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the

Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.

e. On October 31, 2024, in *Kandel, et al. v. Dr. Dennis Gross Skincare, LLC*, No.

1:23-cv-01967 (S.D.N.Y) Judge Edgardo Ramos ruled:

The Court directed that notice be given to Settlement Class Members by publication, e-mail, mail and other means pursuant to the notice program proposed by the Parties in the Settlement and approved by the Court. The declaration from Settlement Administrator EAG Gulf Coast, LLC attesting to the dissemination of notice to the Settlement Class demonstrates compliance with this Court's Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement. The notice program set forth in the Settlement successfully advised Settlement Class members of the terms of the Settlement, the Final Approval Hearing (referred to in the Settlement as the "Fairness Hearing"), and their right to appear at such hearing, their rights to remain in or opt out of the Settlement Class and to object to the Settlement, the procedures for exercising such rights, and the binding effect of the Judgment herein.

The Court finds that distribution of the Notice constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted valid, due, and sufficient notice to all members of the Settlement Class. The Court finds that such notice complies fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the Constitution of the United States, and any other applicable laws...The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by EAG Gulf Coast LLC afforded adequate protections to Settlement Class members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Settlement Class members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.

OVERVIEW

6. Based on our review of the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement Class is defined as follows:

All Persons in the United States (including states, districts, territories, and tribal reservations) who purchased a Bestway-branded pool 48 inches in height or taller (including Power Steel and Steel Pro models) with compression straps located outside of the support poles, sold for personal use and not for resale, from 2008 through the Preliminary Approval date.

Settlement Agreement (“S.A.”) §§ I.13, § I.48.

7. Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (1) the presiding judge and immediate family; (2) Defendants and their respective parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and their current and former officers, directors, employees, agents, and counsel; (3) Persons who timely and properly Opt-Out; (4) successors/assigns of excluded Persons; (5) wholesalers, distributors, or retailers of the Class Products; (6) second-hand purchasers; and (7) Class Counsel. S.A. § I.48.

8. The objective of this Notice Plan is to ensure the delivery of the most feasible and effective notice to the Settlement Class, in compliance with the provisions set forth in Fed. R. Civ. P. 23. Consequently, it is my opinion that the ensuing Notice Plan satisfies due process standards and adheres to the recommendations in the *Judges’ Class Action Notice and Claims Process Checklist and Plain Language Guide*.

SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION DUTIES

9. As the proposed Settlement Administrator, EAG will be responsible for managing all aspects of Settlement implementation in accordance with the Settlement Agreement. This includes overseeing the administration of the Settlement Fund, coordinating and effectuating notice to Settlement Class Members, and establishing and maintaining both the Settlement Website and a toll-free telephone hotline to assist Class Members. EAG will respond to inquiries received by phone, email, or mail, and ensure that all communications accurately and objectively describe the terms of the Settlement.

10. In addition, EAG will process Claims submitted by Settlement Class Members,

including verifying eligibility and analyzing supporting documentation, as well as handling requests for exclusion, and preparing regular reports to the Parties summarizing Claims activity and opt-outs. Prior to the Final Approval Hearing, EAG will provide affidavits confirming compliance with the Notice Plan and identifying all timely exclusions. EAG will also distribute Settlement payments in accordance with the Settlement Agreement, and perform any other reasonable and necessary tasks, including CAFA notice and post-distribution accounting, as directed by the Parties.

PROPOSED NOTICE PLAN

11. Within fourteen (14) days following the Court's entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, Defendants and Class Counsel shall furnish EAG with a database comprising, to the extent available, the names, physical addresses and email addresses of Settlement Class Members ("Settlement Class List").

12. As described below, the proposed Notice Plan provides that individual direct notice be sent to all individuals identified in the Settlement Class List and along with a custom designed digital notice campaign. Direct notice will be administered in the form of direct Email Notice and direct Postcard Notice via First Class Mail.

Direct Email Notice

13. The Email Notice (attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit B) will be disseminated to any Settlement Class Member for whom a facially valid email address is available in the Settlement Class List. The Email Notice will be created using embedded HTML text to ensure a user-friendly, easily readable layout. The design avoids tables, graphs, or other elements that could increase the likelihood of the email being flagged as spam or blocked by Internet Service Providers ("ISP" or "ISPs"). Additionally, EAG is committed to adhering to email industry best practices, incorporating essential elements such as "unsubscribe" links and Administrator contact information, and maintaining multiple IP addresses with strong sender

reputations.²

14. To safeguard the integrity and optimize the deliverability of the Email Notice, all emails will undergo a hygiene and verification process. This process entails deduplication, syntax validation, detection and correction of misspelled domains, domain validation, and risk validation. EAG will monitor and report all email delivery attempts. For instances where an email is returned as undeliverable, commonly known as a “bounce,” the specific reason for the bounce will be documented. If an email address is determined to be non-existent upon attempted transmittal, this would be categorized as a “hard bounce,” and no further delivery attempts would be made to that address. Instances where the inbox is full, there is initial blocking or deferral by the ISP, or any other factors impeding delivery are categorized as “soft bounces.” To limit the number of undelivered emails as a result of soft bounces, EAG will make additional email attempts to addresses experiencing a soft bounce. If an email remains undeliverable after subsequent attempts, it will be deemed undeliverable, and no additional email delivery attempts would be pursued for that particular email address.

Direct Mail Notice

15. Any Class Member for whom a mailing address exists but not an email address, or whose email was returned as undeliverable, will be sent a Postcard Notice (attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit C) via United States Postal Service (“USPS”) First Class Mail. Prior to mailing, all mailing addresses will be checked against the National Change of Address (“NCOA”) database maintained by USPS to ensure the accuracy and currency of Settlement Class Member address information for proper formatting and mail delivery. Additionally, the addresses

² ISPs assign scores, or sender reputation, to domains and IP addresses which tell email inbox providers if the email should be delivered to the recipient’s inbox or directed to the spam folder. The sender reputation is determined by multiple factors such as: the timing and number of emails sent from the IP/domain; number of recipients that have marked incoming mail from the sender as spam; number of emails that are delivered directly to spam boxes; number of emails that bounce back; number of recipients that interact with the email (e.g., open, reply, forward or delete); quality of the content within the email (e.g. typos); the number of users that unsubscribe; and many other factors.

will be validated through the Coding Accuracy Support System to uphold zip code precision, while Delivery Point Validation will be employed to verify mailing address accuracy. In the event that NCOA provides a more current mailing address for a Class Member, EAG will update the address accordingly. In instances where a Postcard Notice is returned with forwarding address information, EAG will re-send to the newly provided mailing address.

16. For any Postcard Notices that are returned as undeliverable, EAG will utilize standard skip-tracing techniques to obtain forwarding address information. If skip-tracing yields an alternative forwarding mailing address, EAG will re-mail the notice to the address identified through the skip-tracing process

Digital Banner Notice

17. EAG follows advertising industry best practices by utilizing a programmatic, data-driven approach to digital notice. Our methodology incorporates multiple consumer data points into a single platform, allowing for real-time monitoring and iterative optimizations to improve notice efficiency. This programmatic framework enables the Notice Plan to serve digital notices across a broad network of partner websites and premier social media platforms, targeting users based on their specific browsing habits and demographics. By utilizing ad networks chosen for their cost-efficiency and expansive reach, the Notice Plan ensures that digital notices appear in environments where potential Settlement Class Members are most likely to encounter them during their regular digital activity.

18. The Notice Plan executes this strategy across current high-traffic internet environments. Specifically, digital notices will run on thousands of relevant websites via the Google Display Network to ensure broad visibility across the web. Additionally, the Notice Plan incorporates Facebook and Instagram, which have over 250 million users in the United States.³ By appearing directly in users' social feeds, the notices facilitate organic dissemination through channels Settlement Class Members use in their regular communication. This multi-platform

³ “Number of Facebook users in United States from 2018 to 2027” (Statista; July 2023) and “Number of Instagram users in the United States from 2018 to 2027” (Statista; July 2023).

approach combines the depth of the Google Display Network with the high engagement of social media.

19. The banner notices will utilize standard Interactive Advertising Bureau dimensions, including 300x250, 728x90, 970x250, and 300x600, along with custom sizes tailored to Facebook and Instagram advertising guidelines. The notices will appear in both English and Spanish, with Spanish-language notices served on Spanish-language websites and to users whose device or browser language preference is set to Spanish. All banner designs will be developed in coordination with the Parties.

20. In total, we estimate that the digital notice program will generate more than 90 million impressions⁴ targeted to a measurable audience of “adults in the United States that own an above-ground pool”. Additional targeting mechanisms, including family and household targeting and broader behavioral, contextual, and interest-based targeting, will be incorporated to support a layered approach to reaching Class Members.

Press Release

21. To broaden awareness beyond direct and digital notice, the Email Notice will be reformatted for press release distribution via PRNewswire's US1 and Hispanic Newslines. Combined, these newslines reach more than 20,000 English and Hispanic media outlets across the United States, spanning newspapers, magazines, wire services, television, radio, and online media.

Settlement Website

22. EAG will create and maintain a website dedicated to this Settlement. The website address will be prominently included in the Email Notice, Postcard Notice, and Long Form Notice (attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit D) The Class Notice, along with the Motion for Preliminary Approval, the Preliminary Approval Order, the proposed Settlement Agreement, the Complaint filed in this Action, the Claim Form (attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit

⁴ An impression is a single instance of an ad being displayed or loaded on a user's screen.

A), and any other materials the Parties agree to include, will be posted on the Settlement Website for Settlement Class Members to review and download. The Class Notice and Claim Form will be available in both English and Spanish for review and download. Additional documents, including the Motion for Final Approval as well as Class Counsel's application for reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and Service Awards on behalf of the named Plaintiffs, will be added to the Settlement Website once they are filed.

23. The Settlement Website will also allow Settlement Class Members to file a Claim Form electronically, and include relevant dates, other case-related information, instructions for how to be excluded from the Settlement Class or object to the Settlement, answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), and contact information for the Settlement Administrator.

Dedicated Toll-Free Hotline

24. A dedicated toll-free informational hotline will be available 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The hotline will utilize an interactive voice response ("IVR") system where Settlement Class Members can obtain essential information regarding the Settlement and be provided responses to Frequently Asked Questions. Settlement Class Members will also have the option to leave a voicemail and receive a call back from the Settlement Administrator. In addition, Settlement Class Members may request copies of the Class Notices and paper Claim Form, as well as the Settlement Agreement, upon request through the toll-free hotline.

REQUESTS FOR EXCLUSION

25. Settlement Class Members who wish to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class may submit a request for exclusion by mail to a dedicated Post Office Box that EAG will maintain, which will be provided in the notice documents. EAG will monitor all mail delivered to this Post Office Box. EAG will track all received exclusion requests and provide this information to the Parties consistent with the proposed Settlement Agreement.

FRAUD DETECTION AND MITIGATION

26. To protect the integrity of the Claims process, EAG employs a multi-layered fraud mitigation strategy that combines advanced technology with human oversight. At its foundation

is a machine learning supported Web Application Firewall, updated in real time using global threat intelligence to block emerging vulnerabilities. The second layer builds on this foundation by deploying sophisticated AI algorithms to detect and mitigate bot and scripted browser traffic, effectively distinguishing between legitimate and malicious activities to prevent attacks, like credential stuffing, in real-time. Our third and most comprehensive layer of defense involves a team of dedicated fraud prevention specialists who employ a proprietary, multi-faceted approach. This includes AI-powered fuzzy matching to identify abnormal patterns indicative of fraud, digital fingerprint verification, and comprehensive monitoring of suspicious IPs and domains across all cases.

27. To complement EAG's robust fraud validation system, EAG and Class Counsel have agreed to implement Covalynt's ClaimScore⁵ data intelligence platform, a proprietary claim validation and fraud detection solution. ClaimScore reviews and scores each claim individually using a 65-point expert system artificial intelligence algorithm that is backed by a machine learning scoring system. Each claim begins with a ClaimScore of 1,000 and is reduced each time it fails a criterion. Each criterion carries either a fixed or sliding weight, determined by its correlation to both fraudulent and valid claims. Together, EAG's internal fraud mitigation infrastructure and Covalynt's ClaimScore platform form a comprehensive, end-to-end claims integrity framework designed to protect the Settlement Fund and the claims review process.

DATA MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND SECURITY PROTOCOLS⁶

28. Our firm routinely manages a broad range of confidential and highly sensitive information. To ensure privacy and data protection, we maintain industry-leading practices and follow industry accepted standards as endorsed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), HITRUST, CIS Critical Security Controls (CIS Controls). Moreover, our certified data centers, meet stringent compliance regulations – PCI, HIPAA, FINRA, Sarbanes-

⁵ <https://covalynt.com/products/claimscore>

⁶ EAG continuously evaluates its information security processes and protocols. Specific details related to data hosting and security are subject to change in order to meet evolving standards, best practices, and individual needs for each matter.

Oxley, and Gramm-Leach-Bliley – and undergo annual SSAE16 SOCII audits.

29. Our data encryption protection encompasses email encryption for confidential transmissions as well as laptop hard drive encryption. Data is protected in transit using TLS 1.3, and sensitive data at rest is secured through advanced methods like column-level encryption and symmetric key encryption. Column-level encryption ensures specific database columns are encrypted, keeping data unreadable without proper decryption keys. Symmetric key encryption uses a single key for both encryption and decryption, ensuring that only authorized parties with the correct key can access sensitive information, such as personally identifiable information (PII). Complex password requirements and two-factor authentication further bolsters access to our proprietary claims management database and other system-related services. Employee security protocols are enforced through annual security awareness training, specializing in the handling of protected information such as PII and identifying the mechanisms of phishing and social engineering, among others.

30. In addition to these measures, we maintain comprehensive insurance coverage, including network security insurance, providing protection in the event of any breach. Furthermore, consumer data is strictly confined to the agreed-upon purpose. These policies underscore our commitment to safeguarding sensitive information and distinguishes us within the legal notice and settlement administration field. Detailed information regarding our information security policies is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

NOTICE AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS

31. EAG estimates notice and administration costs to be \$302,624. This estimate does not include postage-related hard costs, which will be invoiced as incurred and are anticipated to be approximately \$22,392, or Covalynt's claim review costs, which are calculated on a per-claim basis and invoiced as incurred.

CONCLUSION

32. The proposed Notice Plan encompasses individualized direct notice to all members of the Settlement Class who can be identified through reasonable efforts as well as

digital banner notice.

33. As the Federal Judicial Center explains in its *Judges' Class Action Notice and Claims Process Checklist and Plain Language Guide*, “the lynchpin in an objective determination of the adequacy of a proposed notice effort is whether all the notice efforts together will reach a high percentage of the class. It is reasonable to reach between 70–95%.” Consistent with this guidance, the Notice Plan is designed to achieve an estimated reach of 80% of the Settlement Class, with an estimated average frequency of 3.01.

34. It is my opinion based on my expertise and experience, as well as that of my team at EAG, that this method of both targeted and broad notice dissemination provides effective notice in this Action, will provide the best notice that is practicable, adheres to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, follows the guidance set forth in the *Manual for Complex Litigation* 4th Ed. and FJC guidance, and exceeds the requirements of due process, including its “desire to actually inform” requirement.⁷

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Executed this 30th day of April, 2026 in Portland, Oregon.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B. Schwartz", is written over a horizontal line.

Brandon Schwartz

⁷ *Mullane v. Cent. Hanover Bank & Trust Co.*, 339 U.S. 306, 315 (1950)

Exhibit A: CV of Brandon Schwartz



Brandon Schwartz



Brandon Schwartz is the Director of Notice for Eisner Advisory Group LLC ("EAG"), where he leads the strategy and execution of innovative legal notice programs for complex class actions and claims administration. With over 15 years of industry experience, he brings deep expertise in crafting effective, compliant, and results-driven notice solutions tailored to the unique demands of each case.

Brandon is widely recognized for his command of modern notice tactics, including cutting-edge digital and social media campaigns, email and direct mail distribution, demographic targeting, and reach and frequency analysis. His deep understanding of Fed R. Civ 23 ensures that notice plans meet the highest standards of compliance while maximizing reach and effectiveness.

A published author on topics related to legal notice, Brandon has led the design and delivery of notice campaigns in hundreds of matters spanning antitrust, consumer, privacy, securities litigation, and more. Prior to joining EAG, Brandon was the Director of Notice and Media for a large claims administrator where he oversaw high-profile national campaigns and built a reputation for precision, creativity, and reliability in legal notice.

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

- Bachelor of Science, Marketing, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Bachelor of Science, Management, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Legal Notice Expert

ARTICLES

- Case Study: Effective Notice Leads to High Claims Rate
- Legal Notice and Social Media: How to Win the Internet
- Rule 23 Changes: Avoid Delays in Class Settlement Approval
- Rule 23 Changes: How Electronic Notice Can Save Money
- Tackling Digital Class Notice with Rule 23 Changes
- What to Expect: California's Northern District Procedural Guidance Changes

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Class Action Law Forum: The Increase of Fraud in Class Actions and Mass Torts, Plus Ethics of Third-Party Filers, San Diego, March 13, 2024
- Class Action Law Forum: Notice and Administration: Fraud and Third-Party Filers, San Diego, CA, March 18, 2023
- Class Action Law Forum: Settlement and Notice & Claims Trends, San Diego, CA, March 18, 2022
- Class Action Law Forum: Consumer Class Actions, San Diego, CA, March 5, 2020
- Class Action Mastery: Best Practices in Claims Settlement Administration, HB Litigation Conference, San Diego, CA, January 17, 2019
- Class Action Mastery: Communication with the Class, HB Litigation Conference, New York, NY, May 10, 2018

SAMPLE JUDICIAL COMMENTS

- **Milan, et al. v. Clif Bar and Company**, Case No. 1:18-cv-02354 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato ruled on March 21, 2025:

The distribution of the Class Notice pursuant to the Class Notice Program constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfies the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process.

- **Meholic, et al. v. Seattle Arena Company**, Case No. 24-2-06283-1 (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Lindsey M. Teppner ruled on January 3, 2025:

The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.

- **Kandel, et al. v. Dr. Dennis Gross Skincare, LLC**, Case No. 1:23-cv-01967 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Edgardo Ramos ruled on October 31, 2024:

The Court finds that distribution of the Notice constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted valid, due, and sufficient notice to all members of the Settlement Class. The Court finds that such notice complies fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the Constitution of the United States, and any other applicable laws...The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by EAG Gulf Coast LLC afforded adequate protections to Settlement Class members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Settlement Class members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.

- **Andrade-Heymsfield v. NextFoods, Inc.**, Case No. 3:21-cv-1446 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Barry T. Moskowitz ruled on April 8, 2024:

The Court previously approved the parties' proposed notice procedures. (ECF No. 56). In the motion for final approval, Plaintiff represents that the approved notice plan was executed. (ECF No. 59 at 9). "Notice was provided to Class Members via newspaper, a press release, and various digital means," including "display banner advertising, keyword search online advertising, and social media advertising through Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube, delivering over 120 million targeted impressions." (Id.)...In light of these actions and the Court's prior order granting preliminary approval, the Court finds that the parties have provided sufficient notice to the class members.



- **Hymes v. Earl Enterprises Holdings**, Case No. 6:19-cv-00644 (M.D. Fla.), Judge A. James Craner ruled on February 20, 2024:

The Court finds that the form content, and method of giving notice to the Settlement Class as described in Article VII of the Settlement Agreement (including the exhibits thereto): (a) was the best practicable notice to the Settlement Class; (b) was reasonably calculated 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) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all Class Members and other persons entitled to receive notice; and (d) met all applicable requirements of law, including the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, and met the Due Process Clause(s) of the United States Constitution. The Court further finds that the Notice was written in plain language, used simple terminology, and was designed to be readily understandable by Class Members.

- **Tucker v. Marietta Area Health Care Inc.**, Case No. 2:22-cv-00184 (S.D. Ohio), Judge Sarah D. Morrison ruled on December 7, 2023:

The Court's Preliminary Approval Order approved the Short Form Settlement Notice, Long Form Notice, and Claim Form, and found the mailing, distribution, and publishing of the various notices as proposed met the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process, and was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constituting due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice. The roughly 6.2% claims rate supports a finding that the Notice Program was sufficient...The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.

- **Easter v Sound Generations**, Case No. 21-2-16953-4 (Wash. Super.), Judge James E. Rogers on July 14, 2023:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material terms of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of Civil Rule 23, applicable law, and the due process clauses of both the U.S. and Washington Constitutions.

- **Hezi v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.**, Case No. 1:21-CV-09892-VM (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Jennifer H. Rearden on April 5, 2023:

The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by Claims Administrator Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") afforded adequate protections to Class Members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Class Members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.



- **Gilmore, et al. v. Monsanto Company, et al.**, Case No. 3:21-CV-8159 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Vince Chhabria on March 31, 2023:

The Court finds that Class Notice has been disseminated to the Class in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order and the Notice Plan. The Court further finds that this provided the best notice to the Class practicable under the circumstances, fully satisfied due process, met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and complied with all other applicable law.

- **John Doe, et al. v. Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital and KSB Medical Group, Inc.**, Case No. 2021L00026 (Ill. Cir. Ct., 15th Jud. Cir.), on March 28, 2023:

The Court has determined that the notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.

- **In re Forefront Data Breach Litigation**, Case No. 1:21-cv-00887-LA (E.D. Wis.), Judge Lynn Adelman on March 22, 2023:

The Court finds that the dissemination of Notice to Settlement Class Members: (a) was implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of (i) the pendency of the Action; (ii) their right to submit a claim (where applicable) by submitting a Claim Form; (iii) their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; (iv) the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the releases to be provided thereunder); (v) Class Counsel's motion for a Fee Award and Costs and for Service Awards to the Class Representatives; (vi) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, and/or Class Counsel's motion for Service Awards to the Class Representatives and for a Fee Award and Costs; and (vii) their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing; (d) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all natural persons entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Constitution of the United States (including the Due Process Clause), and all other applicable laws and rules.

- **Sanders, et al. v. Ibex Global Solutions, Inc., et al.**, Case No. 1:22-CV-00591 (D.D.C.), Judge Trevor N. McFadden on March 10, 2023:

An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).



- **Pagan, et al. v. Faneuil, Inc.,** Case No. 3:22-CV-297 (E.D. Va), Judge Robert E. Payne on February 16, 2023:

The Court finds that the Notice Program, set forth in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, was reasonably calculated to provide and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object and to appear at the final approval hearing or to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement, and satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and other applicable law.

- **LaPrairie v. Presidio, Inc., et al.,** Case No. 1:21-CV-08795-JFK (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Andrew L. Carter, Jr. on December 12, 2022:

The Court hereby fully, finally and unconditionally approves the Settlement embodied in the Settlement Agreement as being a fair, reasonable and adequate settlement and compromise of the claims asserted in the Action. The Class Members have been given proper and adequate notice of the Settlement, fairness hearing, Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, and the service award to the Settlement Class Representative. An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).

- **Nelson v. Bansley & Kiener, LLP,** Case No. 2021-CH-06274 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Sophia H. Hall on November 30, 2022:

The court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-801, et seq.

- **Buck, et al. v. Northwest Commercial Real Estate Investments, LLC, et al.,** Case No. 21-2-03929-1-SEA (Superior Court King County, WA), Judge Douglass A. North on September 30, 2022:

Pursuant to the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, Postcard Notice was distributed to the Class by First Class mail and Email Notice was distributed to all Class Members for whom the Settlement Administrator had a valid email address. The Court hereby finds and concludes that Postcard and Email Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the Postcard and Email Notice, and the distribution procedures set forth in the Settlement fully satisfy CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object or exclude themselves from the Settlement,



and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class Members as contemplated in the Settlement and this Final Approval Order.

- **Rivera, et al. v. Google LLC**, Case No. 2019-CH-00990 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.), Judge Anna M. Loftus on September 28, 2022:

Pursuant to this Court's Order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement, Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") served as Settlement Administrator. This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.

- **Patricia Davidson, et al. v. Healthgrades Operating Company, Inc.**, Case No. 21-cv-01250-RBJ (D. Colo), Judge R. Brooke Jackson on August 22, 2022:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).

- **Hosch, et al. v. Drybar Holdings LLC**, Case No. 2021-CH-01976 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Pamela M. Meyerson on June 27, 2022:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.

- **Baldwin, et al. v. National Western Life Insurance Company**, 2:21-cv-04066-WJE (W.D. MO), Judge Willie J. Epps, Jr. on June 16, 2022:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constituted the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Rule 23(c)(2).



- **Chapman, et al. v. voestalpine Texas Holding LLC**, Case No. 2:17-cv-174 (S.D. Tex.), Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos on June 15, 2022:

The Class and Collective Notice provided pursuant to the Agreement and the Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement:

- (a) *Constituted the best practicable notice, under the circumstances;*
- (b) *Constituted notice that was reasonably calculated to apprise the Class Members of the pendency of this lawsuit, their right to object or exclude themselves from the proposed settlement, and to appear at the Fairness Hearing;*
- (c) *Was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice; and*
- (d) *Met all applicable requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution because it stated in plain, easily understood language the nature of the action; the definition of the class certified; the class claims, issues, or defenses; that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; that the court will exclude from the class any member who requests exclusion; the time and manner for requesting exclusion; and the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3).*

- **Hanson v. Welch Foods Inc.**, Case No. 3:20-cv-02011 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Joseph C. Spero on April 15, 2022:

The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 5 and 9 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan detailed in the Declaration of Brandon Schwartz filed on October 1, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).

- **McMorrow, et al. v. Mondelez International, Inc.**, No. 17-cv-02327 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on April 8, 2022:

Notice was administered nationwide and achieved an overwhelmingly positive outcome, surpassing estimates from the Claims Administrator both in the predicted reach of the notice (72.94% as compared to 70%) as well as in participation from the class (80% more claims submitted than expected). (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 14, ECF No. 206-1; Final App. Mot. 3.) Only 46 potential Class Members submitted exclusions (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 21), and only one submitted an objection—however the objection opposes the distribution of fees and costs rather than the settlement itself. (Obj. 3.) The Court agrees with Plaintiffs that the strong claims rate, single fee-related objection, and low opt-out rate weigh in favor of final approval.

- **Hadley, et al. v. Kellogg Sales Company**, No. 16-cv-04955 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Lucy H. Koh on November 23, 2021:

The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan filed on March 10, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all



Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).

- **Miracle-Pond, et al. v. Shutterfly, Inc.**, No. 2019-CH-07050 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.), Judge Raymond W. Mitchell on September 9, 2021:

This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement. The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.

- **In re: Interior Molded Doors Indirect Purchasers Antitrust Litigation**, No. 3:18-cv-00850 (E.D. Va.), Judge John A. Gibney on July 27, 2021:

The notice given to the Settlement Class of the settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement and the other matters set forth herein 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 and entities entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rules 23(c)(2) and 23(e) and the requirements of due process.

- **Krommenhock, et al. v. Post Foods, LLC**, No. 16-cv-04958 (N.D. Cal.), Judge William H. Orrick on June 25, 2021:

The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement and the Notice Plan filed on January 18, 2021 fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).

- **Lisa Jones, et al. v. Monsanto Company, et al.**, No. 4:19-cv-00102-BP (W.D. Mo.), Chief Judge Beth Phillips on May 13, 2021:

The Court also notes that there has been only one objection filed, and even the Objector has not suggested that the amount of the settlement is inadequate or that the notice or the method of disseminating the notice was inadequate to satisfy the requirements of the Due Process Clause or was otherwise infirm...However, with respect to the Rule 23(e)



factors, the Court finds that the process used to identify and pay class members and the amount paid to class members are fair and reasonable for settlement purposes.

- **Winters, et al. v. Two Towns Ciderhouse Inc.**, No. 3:20-cv-00468-BAS-BGS (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on May 11, 2021:

The settlement administrator, Postlethwaite and Netterville, APAC ("P&N") completed notice as directed by the Court in its Order Granting Preliminary Approval of the Class Action Settlement. (Decl. of Brandon Schwartz Re: Notice Plan Implementation and Settlement Administration ("Schwartz Decl.") ¶¶ 4–14, ECF No. 24-5.)...Notice via social media resulted in 30,633,610 impressions. (Schwartz Decl. ¶4.) Radio notice via Spotify resulted in 394,054 impressions. (Id. ¶ 5.) The settlement website received 155,636 hits, and the toll-free number received 51 calls. (Id. ¶¶ 9, 14.). Thus, the Court finds the Notice complies with due process.

- **Siddle, et al. v. The Duracell Company, et al.**, No. 4:19-cv-00568 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato on April 19, 2021:

The Court finds that the Class Notice and Claims Administration procedures set forth in the Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided due and sufficient individual notice to all persons in the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Agreement and this Final Approval Order.

- **Fabricant v. Amerisave Mortgage Corporation**, No. 19-cv-04659-AB-AS (C.D. Cal.), Judge Andre Birotte, Jr. on November 25, 2020:

The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of Fed. Rule Civ. Proc. 23, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Settlement Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process. No Settlement Class Members have objected to the terms of the Settlement.

- **Edward Makaron, et al. v. Enagic USA, Inc.**, 2:15-cv-05145 (C.D. Cal.), Judge Dean D. Pregerson on January 16, 2020:

The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Class:

a. The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;

b. The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and



sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.

- **John Karpilovsky and Jimmie Criollo, Jr., et al. v. All Web Leads, Inc.**, 1:17-cv-01307 (N.D. Ill.), Judge Harry D. Leinenweber on August 8, 2019:

The Court hereby finds and concludes that Class Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement and that Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order.

The Court further finds and concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement and this Order.

- **Hartig Drug Company Inc. v. Senju Pharmaceutical LTD. and Allergan, Inc.**, 1:14-cv-00719 (D. Del.), Judge Joseph F. Bataillon on May 3, 2018:

The Court approves the proposed notice program, including the Mail Notice and the Publication Notice, attached as Exhibits A and B to the Declaration of Brandon Schwartz of Garden City Group in support of Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion to Distribute Notice to the Settlement Class ("Schwartz Declaration"). The Court further approves the claim form attached as Exhibit C to the Schwartz Declaration. The Court finds that the manner of notice proposed constitutes the best practicable notice under the circumstances as well as valid, due, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled thereto and complies fully with the requirements of the Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23...

- **Gordon v. Hain Celestial Group, et al.**, 1:16-cv-06526 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Katherine B. Forrest on September 22, 2017:

The form, content, and method of dissemination of the Class Notice given to Settlement Class Members - as previously approved by the Court in its Preliminary Approval Order - were adequate and reasonable, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 (c) and (e) and Due Process.

- **In re: Sony PS3 "Other OS" Litigation**, 4:10-cv-01811 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers on June 8, 2018:

The Court finds that the program for disseminating notice to the Class provided for in the Settlement, and previously approved and directed by the Court (the "Notice Program"), has been implemented by the Settlement Administrator and the Parties, and that such Notice Program, including the approved forms of notice, constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and fully satisfied due process, the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and all other applicable laws.



- ***In re: Ductile Iron Pipe Fittings ("DIPF") Indirect Purchaser Antitrust Litigation***, 3:12-cv-00169 (D.N.J.), Judge Anne E. Thompson on June 8, 2016:

Notice of the Settlement Agreements to the Settlement Classes required by Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, including the additional forms of notice as approved by the Court, has been provided in accordance with the Court's orders granting preliminary approval of these Settlements and notice of the Settlements, and such Notice has been given in an adequate and sufficient manner; constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and satisfies Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2)(B) and due process.



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<i>Doe, et al. v. San Diego Fertility Center Medical Group, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 37-2024-00006118 (Cal. Super. Ct.)
<i>Tapia-Rendon, et al. v. Workeasy Software, LLC</i> , Case No. 1:21-cv-3400 (N.D. Ill.)
<i>Meholic, et al. v. Seattle Arena Company</i> , Case No. 24-2-06283-1 (Wash. Super. Ct.)
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<i>In Re: Hapy Bear Surgery Center Data Security Incident Litigation</i> , Case No. VCU307987 (Cal. Super. Ct.)
<i>Brim, et al. v. Prestige Care, Inc.</i> , Case No. 3:24-CV-05133 (W.D. Wash.)
<i>Doe, et al. v. Virginia Mason Medical Center, et al.</i> , Case No. 19-2-26674-1 SEA (Wash. Super. Ct.)
<i>Velasco v. Belmont Groceries, LLC</i> , Case No. 2023-CH-01077 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.)
<i>Newman, et al. v. Audienceview Ticketing Corporation, et al.</i> , Case No. 1:23-cv-03764 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Severa, et al. v. Solvay Specialty Polymers USA, LLC, et al.</i> , Case No. 1:20-CV-06906 (D.N.J.)
<i>In Re Christie's Data Breach Litigation</i> , Case No. 1:24-cv-4221 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Reardon, et al. v. Suncoast Skin Solutions, Inc.</i> , Case No. 23-CA-000317 (Fla. 13th Jud. Cir.)
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<i>Knott, et al. v. United Water System, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 6:23-CV-00401 (W.D. La.)
<i>Jweinat v. loanDepot.com, LLC</i> , Case No. CGC-23-605149 (Cal. Super. Ct.)
<i>Tracey, et al. v. Elekta, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 1:21-cv-02851 (N.D. Ga.)
<i>Coleman, et al. v. United Services Automobile Association, et al.</i> , Case No. 3:21-cv-00217 (S.D. Cal.)
<i>Ralph Milan, et al. v. Clif Bar & Company</i> , Case No. 18-cv-02354-JD (N.D. Cal.)
<i>In re: Valsartan N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) Products Liability Litigation</i> (non-settlement), Case No. 19-md-2875 (D.N.J.)
<i>Ayala v. Commonwealth Health Physician Network, et al.</i> , Case No. 2023-cv-3008 (Lackawanna Cnty. Ct. Com. Pl.)
<i>Andrade-Heymsfield v. NextFoods, Inc.</i> , Case No. 21-cv-1446 (S.D. Cal.)
<i>In Re: Novant Health, Inc.</i> , Case No. 1:22-cv-00697 (M.D.N.C.)
<i>White v. General Motors, LLC</i> , Case No. 1:21-cv-00410 (D. Colo.)
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<i>Hezi v Celsius Holdings, Inc</i> , Case No. 1:21-cv-09892 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>M.S. v. Med-Data, Inc.</i> , Case No. 4:22-cv-00187 (S.D. Tex.)
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<i>In re: Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Antitrust Litigation</i> , Case No. 4:07-cv-05944 (N.D. Cal.)
<i>John Doe, et al. v. Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital and KSB Medical Group, Inc.</i> , Case No. 2021L00026 (15th Jud. Cir. Ct. Lee Cnty., Ill.)
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<i>Clopp et. al. v. Pacific Market Research, LLC et. al.</i> , Case No. 21-2-08738-4 (Wash. Super.)
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<i>Jackson-Battle v. Navicent Health, Inc.</i> , Case No. 2020-cv-072287 (Ga Super.)
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<i>Winters, et al. v. Two Towns Ciderhouse Inc.</i> , Case No. 3:20-cv-00468 (S.D. Cal.)
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<i>Makaron v. Enagic USA, Inc.</i> , Case No. 2:15-cv-05145 (C.D. Cal.)
<i>John Karpilovsky, et al. v. All Web Leads, Inc.</i> , Case No. 1:17-cv-01307 (N.D. Ill.)
<i>Hughes, et al. v. AutoZone Parts Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. BC631080 (Cal. Super.)
<i>Secaucus Investors LLC and Health Care Grower, LLC v. Harmony Foundation of New Jersey, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. BER-C-275-21 (N.J. Sup Ct.)
<i>Miller, et al. v. P.S.C., Inc. d/b/a Puget Sound Collections</i> , Case No. 3:17-cv-0586 (W.D. Wash.)
<i>Aaron Van Fleet, et al. v. Trion Worlds Inc.</i> , Case No. 535340 (Cal. Super.)
<i>Wilmington Trust TCPA (Snyder, et al. v. U.S. Bank, N.A., et al.)</i> , Case No. 1:16-cv-11675 (N.D. Ill.)
<i>Deutsche Bank National Trust TCPA (Snyder, et al. v. U.S. Bank, N.A., et al.)</i> , Case No. 1:16-cv-11675 (N.D. Ill.)
<i>Adriana Garcia, et al. v. Sun West Mortgage Company, Inc.</i> , Case No. BC652939 (Cal. Super.)
<i>Cajuns for Clean Water, LLC, et al. v. Cecilia Water Corporation, et al.</i> , Case No. 82253 (La. Dist.)
<i>In re: Sony PS3 "Other OS" Litigation</i> , Case No. 4:10-cv-01811 (N.D. Cal.)
<i>In re: Ductile Iron Pipe Fittings Indirect Purchaser Antitrust Litigation</i> , Case No. 3:12-cv-00169 (D.N.J.)
<i>In re: Ductile Iron Pipe Fittings Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation</i> , Case No. 3:12-cv-00711 (D.N.J.)
<i>Hartig Drug Company Inc., v. Senju Pharmaceutical et al.</i> , Case No. 1:14-cv-00719 (D. Del.)
<i>Gordon v. The Hain Celestial Group, et al.</i> , Case No. 1:16-cv-06526 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>In re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico – Economic and Property Damages Settlement</i> , MDL No. 2179 (E.D. La.)
<i>In re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico –Medical Benefits Settlement</i> , MDL No. 2179 (E.D. La.)
<i>Byrner et al. v. Oregon One, Inc.</i> , Case No. 3:16-cv-01910 (D. Or.)
<i>In re: Google Inc. Cookie Placement Consumer Privacy Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2358 (D. Del.)
<i>In re: Pool Products Distribution Market Antitrust Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2128 (E.D. La.)
<i>In re: Polyurethane Foam Antitrust Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2196 (N.D. Ohio)
<i>In re: Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2002 (E.D. Pa.)
<i>In re: The Flintkote Company and Flintkote Mines Limited</i> , Case No. 1:04-bk-11300 (Bankr. D. Del.)
<i>In re: Prograf (Tacrolimus) Antitrust Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2242 (D. Mass.)
<i>Markos v. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.</i> , Case No. 1:15-cv-01156 (N.D. Ga.)
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<i>Ferrick v. Spotify USA Inc.</i> , Case No. 1:16-cv-08412 (S.D.N.Y.)



<i>In re: Parmalat Securities Litigation</i> , MDL No. 1653 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Smith v. Floor and Décor Outlets of America, Inc.</i> , Case No. 1:15-cv-04316 (N.D. Ga.)
<i>Schwartz v. Intimacy in New York, LLC</i> , Case No. 1:13-cv-05735 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>In re: TRS Recovery Services, Inc., Fair Debt Collection Practices Act Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2426 (D. Me.)
<i>Young v. Wells Fargo & Co</i> , Case No. 4:08-cv-00507 (S.D. Iowa)
<i>In re: Credit Default Swaps Antitrust Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2476 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Anthony Frank Lasseeter et al. v. Rite-Aid</i> , Case No. 09-cv-2013-900031 (Ala. Cir. Ct.)
<i>Khoday v. Symantec Corp.</i> , Case No. 0:11-cv-00180 (D. Minn.)
<i>MacKinnon, Jr v. IMVU</i> , Case No. 1-11-cv-193767 (Cal. Super.)
<i>Ebarle, et al. v. LifeLock, Inc.</i> , Case No. 3:15-cv-00258 (N.D. Cal.)
<i>Sanchez v. Kambousi Restaurant Partners ("Royal Coach Diner")</i> , Case No. 1:15-cv-05880 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Schwartz v. Avis Rent A Car System</i> , Case No. 2:11-cv-04052 (D.N.J.)
<i>Klein v. Budget Rent A Car System</i> , Case No. 2:12-cv-07300 (D.N.J.)
<i>Pietrantonio v. Kmart Corporation</i> , Case No. 15-5292 (Mass. Cmmw.)
<i>Cox, et al. v. Community Loans of America, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 4:11-cv-00177 (M.D. Ga.)
<i>Vodenichar. et al. v. Halcón Energy Properties, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 2013-512 (Pa. Com. Pleas)
<i>State of Oregon, ex. rel. Ellen F. Rosenblum, Attorney General v. AU Optronics Corporation, et al.</i> , Case No. 1208 10246 (Or. Cir.)
<i>Barr v. The Harvard Drug Group, LLC, d/b/a Expert-Med</i> , Case No. 0:13-cv-62019 (S.D. Fla.)
<i>Splater, et al. v. Thermal Ease Hydronic Systems, Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 03-2-33553-3 (Wash. Super.)
<i>Phillips v. Bank of America</i> , Case No. 15-cv-00598 (Cal. Super.)
<i>Ziwczyyn v. Regions Bank and American Security Insurance Co.</i> , Case No. 1:15-cv-24558 (S.D. Fla)
<i>Dorado vs. Bank of America, N.A.</i> , Case No. 1:16-cv-21147 (S.D. Fla)
<i>Glass v. Black Warrior Electric</i> , Case No. cv-2014-900163 (Ala. Cir.)
<i>Beck v. Harbor Freight Tools USA, Inc.</i> , Case No. 15-cv-00598 (Ohio Com. Pleas)
<i>Ligon v. City of New York, et al.</i> , Case No. 12-cv-2274 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Abdellahi, et al., vs. River Metals Recycling, LLC</i> , Case No. 13-CI00095 (Ky. Cir.)
<i>Alegre v. XPO Last Mile, Inc.</i> , Case No. 2:15-cv-02342 (D.N.J.)
<i>Jack Leach, et al. v. E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co.</i> , Case No. 01-C-608 (W. Va. Cir.)
<i>Hayes, et al. v. Citizens Financial Group Inc., et al.</i> , Case No. 1:16-cv-10671 (D. Mass.)
<i>In re: Foreign Exchange Benchmark Rates Antitrust Litigation</i> , Case No. 1:13-cv-07789 (S.D.N.Y.)
<i>Flo & Eddie, Inc. v. Sirius XM Radio, Inc.</i> , Case No. 2:13-cv-05693 (C.D. Cal.)
<i>Cozzitorto vs. American Automobile Association of Northern California, Nevada & Utah</i> , Case No. C13-02656 (Cal. Super.)
<i>Filannino-Restifo, et al. v. TD Bank, N.A.</i> , Case No. 0:18-cv-01159 (D.N.J.)
<i>United States v. Takata Corporation</i> , Case No. 2:16-cv-20810 (E.D. Mich.)
<i>Free Range Content, Inc. v. Google Inc.</i> , Case No. 5:14-cv-02329 (N.D. Cal.)
<i>Bautista v. Valero Marketing and Supply Company</i> , Case No. 3:15-cv-05557 (N.D. Cal.)
<i>Devin Forbes and Steve Lagace -and- Toyota Canada Inc.</i> , Case No. cv-16-70667 (Ont. Super. Ct.)
<i>Thierry Muraton -and- Toyota Canada Inc.</i> , Case No. 500-06-000825-162 (Que. Super. Ct.)
<i>In re: Residential Schools Class Action Litigation</i> , Case No. 00-cv-192059 (Ont. Super. Ct.)
<i>In re: Tricor Antitrust Litigation</i> , Case No. 05-340 (D. Del.)



<i>Maszta v. City of Miami</i> , Case No. 3D06-1259 (Fla. Dist. App.)
<i>In re: Tribune Company, et al.</i> , Case No. 08-13141 (D. Del.)
<i>Marian Perez v. Tween Brands Inc.</i> , Case No. 14-cv-001119 (Ohio Com. Pleas)
<i>Ferguson v. Safeco</i> , Case No. DV 04-628B (Mont. Dist.)
<i>Williams v. Duke Energy</i> , Case No. 1:08-cv-00046 (S.D. Ohio)
<i>Boone v. City of Philadelphia</i> , Case No. 2:05-cv-01851 (E.D. Pa.)
<i>In re: Lehman Brothers Inc.</i> , Case No. 08-13555, 08-01420 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.)
<i>In re: Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Data Theft Litigation</i> , MDL No. 1796 (D.D.C.)
<i>In re: Countrywide Customer Data Breach Litigation</i> , MDL No. 1998 (W.D. Ky.)
<i>In re: Checking Account Overdraft Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2036 (S.D. Fla.)
<i>In re: Heartland Data Security Breach Litigation</i> , MDL No. 2046 (S.D. Tex.)
<i>Schulte v. Fifth Third Bank</i> , Case No. 1:09-cv-06655 (N.D. Ill.)
<i>Mathena v. Webster Bank, N.A.</i> , Case No. 3:10-cv-01448 (D. Conn.)
<i>Delandro v. County of Allegheny</i> , Case No. 2:06-cv-00927 (W.D. Pa.)
<i>Trombley v. National City Bank</i> , Case No. 1:10-cv-00232 (D.D.C.)
<i>Fontaine v. Attorney General of Canada</i> , Case No. 00-cv-192059 CP (Ont. Super. Ct.)
<i>Marolda v. Symantec Corp.</i> , Case No. 3:08-cv-05701 (N.D. Cal.)



Exhibit B: CV of Eisner Advisory Group LLC



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Our Approach

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Environmental/Toxic Torts

- In re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico (MDL 2179)
- In re: FEMA Trailer Formaldehyde Products Liability Litigation (MDL 1873)
- Sanchez et al v. Texas Brine, LLC et al.
- Burmaster et al. v. Plaquemines Parish Government, et al.
- Cajuns for Clean Water, LLC et al. v. Cecilia Water Corporation, et al.
- Cooper, et al. v. Louisiana Department of Public Works
- Maturin v. Bayou Teche Water Works
- Chevron Richmond Refinery Fire Settlement
- Chapman et al. v. voestalpine Texas LLC, et al.



Consumer

- Jones et al. v. Monsanto Co.
- Hadley, et al. v. Kellogg Sales Co.
- McMorrow, et al. v. Mondelez International, Inc
- Krommenhock, et al. v. Post Foods, LLC
- Hanson v. Welch Foods Inc.
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- Makaron v. Enagic USA, Inc. (TCPA)
- Prescod et al. v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.
- Gilmore v. Monsanto Co.



Antitrust

- In re: Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Antitrust Litigation (MDL 1917)⁴
- In re: Interior Molded Doors Antitrust Litigation (Indirect)



Mass Torts

- In re: E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company C8 Personal Injury Litigation (MDL 2433)¹
- In re: Testosterone Replacement Therapy Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2545)¹
- In re: Paraquat Products Liability Litigation (MDL 3004)¹
- In re: Paragard Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2974)
- In re: Roundup Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2741)²
- Essure Product Liability Settlement³
- Porter Ranch (JCCP 4861)



Data Breach/Privacy

- Miracle-Pond, et al. v. Shutterfly
- Baldwin et al. v. National Western Life Insurance Co.
- Jackson-Battle, et al. v. Navicent Health, Inc.
- Bailey, et al. v. Grays Harbor County Public Hospital No. 2
- In re: Forefront Data Breach Litigation
- Easter et al. v. Sound Generations
- Rivera, et al. v. Google LLC
- Acaley v. Vimeo, Inc.



Mass Arbitration

- T-Mobile
- Uber
- Postmates
- Instacart
- Intuit



Other Notable Cases

- Brown, et al. v. State of New Jersey DOC (Civil Rights)
- Slade v. Progressive (Insurance)

⁴Work performed as Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC (P&N)

¹Services provided in cooperation with the Court-Appointed Special Master

²Appointed As Common Benefit Trustee

³Inventory Settlement

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Claims Administration Experience

SAMPLE JUDICIAL COMMENTS

- **Lavoie-Soria v. Orthopedics Rhode Island, Inc.**, Case No. KC-2024-1172 (RI Sup. Ct.), Judge Richard D. Raspallo ruled on February 26, 2026:

On January 28, 2026, the matter came before the Court. Justice Raspallo held a Final Approval Hearing to determine, inter alia: (a) whether the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement are fair, reasonable, and adequate for the release of the claims contemplated by the Settlement Agreement; and (b) whether judgment should be entered dismissing this action with prejudice. Prior to the Final Fairness Hearing, a declaration of compliance with the provisions of the Settlement Agreement and Preliminary Approval Order relating to notice was filed with the Court as required by the Preliminary Approval Order. Therefore, the Court is satisfied that Settlement Class Members were properly notified of their right to appear at the Final Fairness Hearing in support of or in opposition to the proposed Settlement Agreement, the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses to Class Counsel, and the payment of Service Awards to the Settlement Class Representatives. The Court is also satisfied that settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

- **Joshua, et al. v. County of Contra Costa**, Case No. C23-01684 (CA Sup. Ct., Contra Costa Cty.), Judge Edward G. Weil ruled on February 20, 2026:

The Court finds that the distribution of the Notice of the Settlement has been completed in conformity with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. That the Notice was the best notice practicable under the circumstances and provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the terms of the Settlement, and fully satisfied the requirements of California Rules of Court, rules 3.766 and 3.769(f), and Due Process. The Court also finds that all Settlement Class Members were given a full and fair opportunity to request oral argument and participate in the Final Approval Hearing, all Settlement Class Members wishing to be heard have been heard, and all Settlement Class Members have had a full and fair opportunity to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class.

- **Kidwell v. Hypertension-Nephrology Associates**, Case No. 2024-15211 (PA Ct. Of Common Pleas, Montgomery Cty.), Judge Jeffrey S. Saltz ruled on February 18, 2026:

The Notice Plan was timely and properly effectuated, and in all respects (i) satisfied the requirements of Pa. R. Civ. P. 1712 and due process; (ii) was the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (iii) reasonably apprised Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the action, the Settlement, and their rights including the right (and deadlines) to object to the proposed Settlement, exclude themselves from the Settlement, and submit a claim under the Settlement; (iv) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all those entitled to receive notice, (v) adequately informed Settlement Class Members of their rights in the Action, and (vi) provided Class Members with reasonable and adequate time to object to the settlement, opt-out of the settlement, and file claims under the Settlement.

- **JeanPaul Magallanes v. Discovery Practice Management**, Case No. 30-2021-01213556 (CA Sup. Ct., Orange Cty.), Judge Layne H. Melzer ruled on February 17, 2026:

The Court is satisfied that EAG Gulf Coast, LLC which functioned as the Settlement Administrator, completed the distribution of Class Notice to the Class in a manner that comports with California Rule of Court 3.766. The Class Notice informed 5,668 Class Members of the Settlement terms, their rights to do nothing and receive their settlement share, their rights to submit a request for exclusion, their rights to comment on or object to the Settlement, and their rights to appear at the Final Approval Hearing and be heard regarding approval of the Settlement. Adequate periods of time to respond and to act were provided by each of these procedures. There are no Class Members who request for exclusion. No Class Member filed written objection to the Settlement as part of this notice process, and no Class Members filed a written statement of intention to appear at the Final Approval Hearing.

- **Bell v. C.R. Pharmacy Services, Inc.**, Case No. CVCV1004303 (IA Dist. Ct., Linn Cty.), Judge Lars G. Anderson ruled on January 23, 2026:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the Iowa and U.S. Constitutions.



- **Kersey v. Therapeutic Health Services**, Case No. 24-2-17679-9-SEA (WA Sup. Ct., King Cty.), Judge Jason Holloway ruled on January 23, 2026:

The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.

- **Lewis v. Seattle Housing Authority**, Case No. 24-2-16171-6-SEA (WA Sup. Ct., King Cty), Judge Sean P. O'Donnell ruled on December 5, 2025:

The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.

- **Bottoms v. Block, Inc.**, Case No. 2:23-cv-01969-JHC (W.D. WA), Judge John H. Chun ruled on December 2, 2025:

Notice to the Settlement Class required by Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure has been provided in accordance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. Notice was given in an adequate and sufficient manner; constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including the dissemination of individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and a supplemental internet notice program designed to reach those Settlement Class Members who could not be identified; and satisfies Rule 23(e) and due process.



- **Sewall v. Home Partners Holdings, LLC**, Case No. 1:25-cv-07849 (N.D. IL), Judge Sunil R. Harjani ruled on December 1, 2025:

The notice given to the Settlement Class, including individual notice to all members of the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable efforts, was the most effective and practicable under the circumstances. This notice provided due and sufficient notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed Settlement, to all persons entitled to such notice, and this 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.

- **Sornberger, et al. v. Sciplay Corp., et al.**, Case No. 33-cv-2025-900003.00 (AL Circuit Ct., Franklin Cty.), Judge Brian P. Hamilton ruled on November 26, 2025:

The Class Notice provided for in the Preliminary Approval Order and given by or at the direction of the Settlement Administrator to the Class was the best practicable notice under the circumstances and was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, their right to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class, and to appear at the Final Approval Hearing. The Class Notice and the means of disseminating the same, as prescribed by the Agreement and directed in the Preliminary Approval Order, was appropriate and reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice. The Class Notice and the means of disseminating the same satisfied all applicable requirements of the Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure, federal and state constitutional due process, and any other applicable law.

- **Stone v. Accellion USA LLC**, Case No. 21-2-01439-5-SEA (WA Sup. Ct., King Cty.), Judge Josephine Wiggs ruled on October 28, 2025:

The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.



- **H.K. v. Google, LLC**, Case No. 2020LL00017 (IL Cir. Ct.), Judge Heidi A. Benson ruled on October 17, 2025:

Pursuant to this Court's Order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement, Eisner Amper (formerly Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC) served as Settlement Administrator. This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.

- **Flacco v. Community Care Alliance**, Case No. PC-2024-05237 (RI Sup. Ct), Judge Joseph McBurney ruled on October 14, 2025

The Court's Preliminary Approval Order approved the Postcard Notice, Long Form Notice, Claim Form, and found the mailing, distribution, and publishing of the various notices as proposed met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure and due process, and was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constituting due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice.

The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Rule 23 and due process.



- **B.K., et al. v. Eisenhower Medical Center**, Case No. 5:23-cv-02092-JGB (C.D. CA), Judge Jesus G. Bernal ruled on October 10, 2025:

As discussed above, the Court-approved Class Notice was disseminated to Class Members beginning on July 3, 2025. Class Notice consisted of E-mail Notice to Settlement Class Members with known email addresses and Postcard Notice for all other Settlement Class Members. (Final Approval Motion at 5-6; Aldridge Decl. ¶¶ 9-10.) The Settlement Administrator sent Class Notices to 163,761 Class Members. (Aldridge Decl. ¶ 17.) Additionally, the Settlement Administrator sent a reminder Email Notice to all Class Members with a deliverable email address who had not submitted a claim by September 18, 2025. (Id. ¶ 18.) The reminder Email Notice was sent to 145,225 email addresses on September 18, 2025. (Id.) As of the filing of the Final Approval Motion, the Settlement Administrator received eight opt-outs, and zero objections—this results in 11,754 participating Class Members. (Id. ¶¶ 19-21.)

Based on the Final Approval Motion and its supporting documents, the Court finds that the Class Notice and notice procedure fairly and adequately informed Class Members of the nature of the action, the terms of the proposed settlement, the effect of the action and release of claims, as well as Class Members' right to exclude themselves from and object to the proposed settlement. Accordingly, the Court finds that the Class Notice was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. Rule 23(c)(2)(B).

- **Gabriel Del Valle, et al. v. General Motors LLC**, Case No. 3:16-cv-07244-EMC (N.D. CA), Judge Edward M. Chen ruled on October 8, 2025:

The record shows and the Court finds that Class Notice has been given to the Classes in the manner approved by the Court in its Preliminary Approval Order. The Court finds that such Class Notice: (i) is reasonable and constitutes the best practicable notice to Class Members under the circumstances; (ii) constitutes notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action and the terms of the Settlement Agreement, their right to object to all or any part of the Settlement Agreement, their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense) and the binding effect of the orders and Final Order and Judgment in the Action, whether favorable or unfavorable, on all Class Members; (iii) constitutes due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons or entities entitled to receive notice; and (iv) fully satisfied the requirements of the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and any other applicable law as well as complying with the Federal Judicial Center's illustrative class action notices.



- **Marden v. LifeMD, Inc.**, Case No. A-24-906800-C (NV 8th Jud. Dist. Ct.), Judge Jennifer Schwartz ruled on September 30, 2025:

The Court finds that the dissemination of Notice to Settlement Class Members: (a) was implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the pendency of the Action; (ii) their right to submit a claim (where applicable) by submitting a Claim Form; (iii) their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; (iv) the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the releases to be provided thereunder); (v) Class Counsel's motion for an Award of Fees and Costs and for Service Awards to the Class Representative; (vi) the right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, and/or Class Counsel's motion for Service Awards to the Class Representative and for a Fee and Cost Award; and (vii) their right to appear at the Fairness Hearing; (d) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all natural persons entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure, the Constitution of the United States (including the Due Process Clause), the Constitution of the State of Nevada, and all other applicable laws and rules.

- **Story v. Heartland Payment Systems**, Case No. 3:19-cv-724-TJC (M.D. FL), Judge Timothy J. Corrigan ruled on September 25, 2025:

The Court concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, satisfy the requirements of due process, provided sufficient notice of the proposed Settlement, the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and these proceedings, to Settlement Class Members, and were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including direct individual notice to Settlement Class Members where feasible, and a Settlement Website.



- **Hampton v. General Motors LLC**, Case No. 6:21-cv-250-GLJ (E.D. OK), Judge Gerald L. Jackson ruled on September 15, 2025:

The record shows and the Court finds that Class Notice has been given to the Class in the manner approved by the Court in its Preliminary Approval Order (ECF No. 150). The Court finds that such Class Notice: (i) is reasonable and constitutes the best practicable notice to Class Members under the circumstances; (ii) constitutes notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action and the terms of the Settlement Agreement, their right to request to be excluded from the Settlement and the Class, their right to object to all or any part of the Settlement Agreement, their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense) and the binding effect of the orders and Final Order and Judgment in the Action, whether favorable or unfavorable, on all Class Members; (iii) constitutes due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons or entities entitled to receive notice; and (iv) fully satisfied the requirements of the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and any other applicable law as well as complying with the Federal Judicial Center's illustrative class action notices.

- **Doe v. San Diego Fertility Center Medical Group, Inc.**, Case No. 37-2024-00006118 (CA Sup. Ct., San Diego Cty.), Judge Marcella O. McLaughlin ruled on August 27, 2025:

The Court also finds that adequate notice was provided. In assessing notice in a class action settlement, "[t]he standard is whether the notice has a 'reasonable chance of reaching a substantial percentage of the class members.'" Wershba, supra, 91 Cal.App.4th at p. 251. Here, the notice was sent directly to Class Members, as attested to by the Settlement Administrator. Therefore, as the Court determined at preliminary approval, the class notice for this action meets the applicable due process requirements.

- **In re: Christie's Data Breach Litigation**, Case No. 24-cv-4221-JMF (S.D. NY), Judge Jesse M. Furman ruled on July 28, 2025:

The Court's Preliminary Approval Order approved the Postcard Notice, Long Form Notice, Claim Form, and found the mailing, distribution, and publishing of the various notices as proposed met the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process, and was the best notice \$324,907.29 3 practicable under the circumstances, constituting due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice.

The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process. The fact that the Notices reached 97.05% of the Settlement Class indicates that the Notice program was successful and consistent with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.



- **Lewis v. Maverick Transportation LLC and Lytx, Inc.**, Case No. 3:22-cv-00046-NJR (S.D. IL), Judge Nancy J. Rosenstengel ruled on July 25, 2025:

The Court finds that the notice program as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order satisfies the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2) and due process and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class of (a) the nature of the case; (b) the terms of the Settlement, including the definition of the Settlement Class; (c) the class claims and issues; (d) the procedure for objecting to or opting out of the Settlement; (e) that the Court will exclude from the Settlement Class any Settlement Class member who timely and validly requests exclusion; (f) the time and manner for requesting such exclusion; (g) contact information for Class Counsel, the Settlement Administrator, the Settlement Website, and a toll-free number to ask questions about the Settlement; (h) important dates in the settlement approval process, including the deadlines to request exclusion or object and the date of the Final Approval Hearing; (i) Class Counsel's request for an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses; (j) the Class Representatives' application for a service award; and (k) the binding effect of a class judgment on Settlement Class members under Rule 23(c)(3).

- **M.W. v. St. Louis University**, Case No. 2422-CC00888 (MO Cir. Ct., 22nd Jud. Cir.) Judge Elizabeth B. Hogan ruled on June 26, 2025:

The Court finds that adequate notice of the Settlement was given to all Class Members pursuant to the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order. The Notice Package that was disseminated to Class Members adequately informed the Settlement Class of the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the type of relief available, the process available to them to submit a claim, their right to request exclusion from the Settlement and pursue their own remedies, and their opportunity to submit objections and appear; and be heard at the Final Approval Hearing. The Notice Package also adequately informed Class Members of additional resources available to obtain further information, including the identity of Class Counsel and how to contact the Court-approved Claims Administrator. The Court finds that the Notice Package satisfied the requirements of Rules 52.08(c)(2) and 52.05(e).



- **Unsworth v. Lewis & Clark College**, Case No. 3:24-cv-00614-SB (D. OR), Judge Stacie F. Beckerman ruled on June 2, 2025:

The Court finds that the dissemination of the Notice: (a) was implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the nature of the Action, (ii) the definition of the class certified, (iii) the class claims, issues, or defenses; (iv) that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; (v) that the court will exclude from the class any member who timely requests exclusion; (vi) the time and manner for requesting exclusion; the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3); (vii) Class Counsel's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards, (viii) Class Representatives' motion for Service Awards, (ix) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, Class Counsel's motion for a Fee Award and Expenses, and/or Class Representatives' motion for Service Awards; (d) constituted due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) was carried out as ordered by this Court's Preliminary Approval Order and satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 and the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and all other applicable law and rules.

- **Brim v. Prestige Care Inc Data Breach**, Case No. 3:24-cv-05133-BHS (W.D. WA), Judge Benjamin H. Settle ruled on April 21, 2025:

The Court finds that the dissemination of the Notice: (a) was implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the nature of the Action, (ii) the definition of the class certified, (iii) the class claims, issues, or defenses; (iv) that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; (v) that the court will exclude from the class any member who timely requests exclusion; (vi) the time and manner for requesting exclusion; the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3); (vii) Class Counsel's motion for a Fee Award and Expenses, (viii) Class Representatives' motion for Service Awards, (ix) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, Class Counsel's motion for a Fee Award and Expenses, and/or Class Representatives' motion for Service Awards; (d) constituted due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) was carried out as ordered by this Court's Preliminary Approval Order and satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 and the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and all other applicable law and rules.



- **Newman v. Audienceview Ticketing Corp. and Universitytickets.com**, Case No. 1:23-cv-05626-VEC (S.D. NY), Judge Valerie Caproni ruled on April 10, 2025:

Based on evidence and other material submitted in conjunction with the Final Approval Hearing, the Court hereby finds and concludes that (1) EisnerAmper is finally approved as Claims Administrator; (2) the Postcard and Email Notices were disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the Settlement Agreement and the Court's Preliminary Approval Order and (3) the Notice, the Claim Form, and the Settlement Website complied with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order.

- **Ictech-Bendeck, et al. v. Progressive Waste Solutions of LA, Inc., et al.**, Case No. 2:18-cv-7889 (E.D. La.), Judge Susie Morgan ruled on March 26, 2025:

Notices given to Class Members and all other interested parties throughout this proceeding with respect to the certification of the Class, the proposed Settlement, and all related procedures and hearings, including, without limitation, the notices to putative Class Members and others, were reasonably calculated under all the circumstances and have been sufficient, as to form, content, and manner of dissemination, to apprise interested parties of the pendency of the action, the certification of the Class, the Settlement Agreement and its contents, the proof of claim process, Class Members' right to be represented by private counsel, at their own costs, and Class Members' right to appear in Court to have their objections heard, and to afford Class Members an opportunity to exclude themselves from the Class and to object to the Settlement Agreement. Such notices complied with all requirements of the federal and state constitutions, including the due process clauses, and Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constituted due and sufficient notice to all potential members of the Class as Defined[.]

- **Milan, et al. v. Clif Bar and Company**, Case No. 1:18-cv-02354 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato ruled on March 21, 2025:

The distribution of the Class Notice pursuant to the Class Notice Program constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfies the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process.



- **Doe v. Workit Health, Inc.**, Case No. 2:23-cv-11691-LVP (E.D. MI), Judge Linda V. Parker ruled on March 6, 2025:

The Court finds that the Class Notice, Settlement Website, and notice plan implemented pursuant to the Settlement Agreement and the Court's Preliminary Approval Order:

- 1. constituted the best practicable notice;*
- 2. constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of this Litigation, of their right to exclude themselves from or object to the proposed Settlement, of their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, of Plaintiffs Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fee and expenses, and of Plaintiffs' application for a Service Award associated with the Litigation;*
- 3. provided a full and fair opportunity to all Settlement Class Members to be heard with respect to the foregoing matters; and*
- 4. met all applicable requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, due process, and any other applicable rules or law.*

- **In Re: Hapy Bear Surgery Center Data Security Incident Litigation**, Case No. VCU307987 (Cal. Super. Ct.), Judge Gary Johnson ruled on March 3, 2025:

The Court finds that Notice has been given to the Settlement Class in the manner directed by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order. The Court finds that such Notice: (i) was reasonable and constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, the terms of the Settlement including its Releases, their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class or object to all or any part of the Settlement, their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense), and the binding effect of final approval of the Settlement on all persons who do not exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; (iii) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons or entities entitled to receive notice; and (iv) fully satisfied the requirements of the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and any other applicable law.



- **Haggerty v. Consumer Safety Technology LLC**, Case No. 22CV-01414 (CA Sup. Ct., Merced Cty), Judge Stephanie L. Jamieson ruled on March 3, 2025:

Settlement Class Notice (including the Email Settlement Class Notice attached as Exhibit to the Settlement Agreement, the Postcard Settlement Class Notice attached as Exhibit to the Settlement Agreement, and the Long-Form Settlement Class Notice attached as Exhibit to the Settlement Agreement) was provided to Settlement Class Members as set forth in the Settlement Agreement, which was approved by the Court on October 28, 2024, and the notice process has been completed in conformity with the Court's Orders. The Court finds that said notice was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The Settlement Class Notice provided due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, informed Settlement Class Members of their rights, and fully satisfied the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and due process.

- **Tecku v. Yieldstreet, Inc.**, Case No. 1:20-cv-07327-VM-SDA (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Victor Marrero ruled on February 21, 2025:

In accordance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, the Court hereby finds that the forms and methods of notifying the Settlement Class of the Settlement and its terms and conditions met the requirements of due process, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Section 21D(a)(7) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(7), as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995; constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and constituted due and sufficient notice of these proceedings and the matters set forth herein, including the Settlement and Plan of Allocation, to all persons and entities entitled to such notice....The notice of the pendency and proposed Settlement of the Action given to the Settlement Class was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including the individual and direct notice by both U.S. mail and email to all Members of the Settlement Class based on contact information supplied by each member of the Settlement Class to Yieldstreet. Said notice provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances of those proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the proposed Settlement set forth in the Stipulation, to all Persons entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process.

- **In re Kannact, Inc. Data Security Incident**, Case No. 6:23-cv-1132-AA (D. Or.), Judge Ann Aiken ruled on January 22, 2025:

The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process. The fact that the Notices reached 86.59% of the Settlement Class indicates that the Notice program was successful and consistent with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.



- **Webb, et al. v. Injured Workers Pharmacy, LLC**, Case No. 1:22-cv-10797-RGS (D. Mass.), Judge Richard G. Stearns ruled on January 16, 2025:

The Court finds that Notice has been given to the Settlement Class in the manner directed by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order. The Court finds that such Notice: (i) was reasonable and constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, the terms of the Settlement including its Releases, their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class or object to all or any part of the Settlement, their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing (either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense), and the binding effect of final approval of the Settlement on all persons who do not exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; (iii) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons or entities entitled to receive notice; and (iv) fully satisfied the requirements of the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and any other applicable law.

- **Tracey, et al. v. Elekta, Inc., et al.**, Case No. 1:21-cv-02851 (N.D. Ga.), Judge Steven D. Grimberg ruled on January 7, 2025:

The distribution, form, and content of the Notice has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.

- **Meholic, et al. v. Seattle Arena Company**, Case No. 24-2-06283-1 (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Lindsey M. Teppner ruled on January 3, 2025:

The Court finds that the Notice Program provided for in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order: (i) was the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) was reasonably calculated to provide, and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class regarding the existence and nature of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and the rights of Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves from the settlement, to object and appear at the Final Fairness Hearing, and to receive benefits under the Settlement Agreement; and (iii) satisfied the requirements of the Washington Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and all other applicable law.

- **Kandel, et al. v. Dr. Dennis Gross Skincare, LLC**, Case No. 1:23-cv-01967 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Edgardo Ramos ruled on October 31, 2024:

The Court finds that distribution of the Notice constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted valid, due, and sufficient notice to all members of the Settlement Class. The Court finds that such notice complies fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the Constitution of the United States, and any other applicable laws...The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure



carried out by EAG Gulf Coast LLC afforded adequate protections to Settlement Class members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Settlement Class members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.

- **Ayala v. Commonwealth Health Physician Network, et al.**, Case No. 2023-cv-3008 (Lackawanna Cnty. Ct. Com. Pl.), Judge James A Gibbons ruled on October 29, 2024:

The Court finds that the form, content, and method of giving notice to the Settlement Class, as described in the Settlement Agreement (including the exhibits thereto): (a) was the best practicable notice to the Settlement Class; (b) was reasonably calculated 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) was reasonable and constitute due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all Class Members and other persons entitled to receive notice; and (d) met all applicable requirements of law, including, but not limited to, Pennsylvania Rule of Civil Procedure 1712 and constitutional due process requirements.

- **M.S. and D.H. v. Med-Data, Inc.**, Case 4:22-cv-00187 (S.D. Tex.), Judge Charles Eskridge ruled on September 11, 2024:

On December 20, 2023, the Court appointed Settlement Administrator, Postlethwaite & Netterville ("P&N"), who properly and timely notified the appropriate state and federal officials of the Settlement Agreement, pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), 28 U.S.C. § 1715. The Court finds that the notice satisfied the requirements of CAFA and that more than ninety (90) days have elapsed since notice was provided, as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1715(d).

P&N executed the Notice Plan outlined in the Settlement Agreement and approved by the Court in its Preliminary Approval Order as meeting the requirements of due process and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23. The Notice Plan reached 86.92% of Settlement Class Members. The notices apprised the Settlement Class members of the pendency of the litigation; of all material elements of the proposed Settlement; of the res judicata effect on members of the class and of their opportunity to object to, comment on, or opt out of, the Settlement; of the identity of Class Counsel and Class Counsel's contact information; and of the right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing. The Notice Plan prescribed by the Settlement Agreement provided due and adequate notice of these proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the terms of the Settlement Agreement, to all parties entitled to such notice.

The Notice Plan satisfied Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the requirements of due process, provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Settlement Class who could be identified



through reasonable effort, provided an opportunity for Settlement Class Members to object or exclude themselves from the Settlement, and supports the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over Settlement Class Members as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order.

- **Green v. EmergeOrtho PA**, Case No. 22CVS003533-310 (NC Sup. Ct., Durham Cty), Judge Louis A. Bledsoe, III ruled on July 19, 2024:

The Court finds that the dissemination of the Notice: (a) was implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the pendency of the Action, (ii) the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the releases to be provided thereunder), (iii) Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Expenses, and Service Award, (iv) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement and Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Expenses, and Service Award, (v) their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class, and (vi) their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing; (d) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) was carried out as ordered by this Court's Preliminary Approval Order and satisfied the requirements of Rule 23, the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and all other applicable law and rules. An affidavit of the Claims Administrator's compliance with the notice program has been filed with the Court. (See ECF No. 58.1.)

- **McFadden, et al. v. Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper**, Case No. 1:20-cv-00166 (D.D.C), Judge Zia M. Faruqui ruled on April 25, 2024:

The distribution and publication of notice of the settlement as provided for in this Court's Preliminary Approval Order of November 8, 2023, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including individual notice to Class Members. This notice fully satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and due process.

- **Andrade-Heymsfield v. NextFoods, Inc.**, Case No. 3:21-cv-1446 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Barry T. Moskowitz ruled on April 8, 2024:

The Court previously approved the parties' proposed notice procedures. (ECF No. 56). In the motion for final approval, Plaintiff represents that the approved notice plan was executed. (ECF No. 59 at 9). "Notice was provided to Class Members via newspaper, a press release, and various digital means," including "display banner advertising, keyword search online advertising, and social media advertising through Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube, delivering over 120 million targeted impressions." (Id.)...In light of these actions and the Court's prior order granting preliminary approval, the Court finds that the parties have provided sufficient notice to the class members.



- **Hymes v. Earl Enterprises Holdings**, Case No. 6:19-cv-00644 (M.D. Fla.), Judge A. James Craner ruled on February 20, 2024:

The Court finds that the form content, and method of giving notice to the Settlement Class as described in Article VII of the Settlement Agreement (including the exhibits thereto): (a) was the best practicable notice to the Settlement Class; (b) was reasonably calculated 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) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all Class Members and other persons entitled to receive notice; and (d) met all applicable requirements of law, including the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, and met the Due Process Clause(s) of the United States Constitution. The Court further finds that the Notice was written in plain language, used simple terminology, and was designed to be readily understandable by Class Members.

- **Tucker v. Marietta Area Health Care Inc.**, Case No. 2:22-cv-00184 (S.D. Ohio), Judge Sarah D. Morrison ruled on December 7, 2023:

The Court's Preliminary Approval Order approved the Short Form Settlement Notice, Long Form Notice, and Claim Form, and found the mailing, distribution, and publishing of the various notices as proposed met the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process, and was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constituting due and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to notice. The roughly 6.2% claims rate supports a finding that the Notice Program was sufficient...The Court finds that the distribution of the Notices has been achieved pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement Agreement, and that the Notice to Class Members complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 and due process.

- **In re: Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Antitrust Litigation (Indirect Purchasers)**, Case No. 4:07-cv-05944 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Jon S. Tigar ruled on November 6, 2023:

The notice given to the Class of the Settlements set forth in the Settlement Agreement and other matters set forth therein 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 Settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement, to all persons entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the requirements of due process, and all applicable state laws.

- **Buck v. American General Life Insurance Company**, Case No. 1:17-cv-13278-CPO-EAP (D.N.J.), Judge Christine P. O'Hearn ruled on September 29, 2023:

[T]he Court finds that the form and manner of the Class Notice, consisting of a Short Form Class Notice mailed out via postcard, Long Form Class Notice placed on the



settlement website, and Publication Notice published in a newspaper of national circulation (USA Today), was accurate, objective, informative, and sufficiently provided Class Members with all of the information necessary to make an informed decision regarding their participation in the Settlement and its fairness, and, therefore, met the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 (including Rules 23(e)(1)(B) and 23(c)(2)(B)), due process, the Constitution of the United States, and all other applicable standards.

- **Fabricant v. Top Flite Financial, Inc.**, Case No. 20STCV13837 (Cal. Super. Ct.), Judge Lawrence Riff ruled on August 28, 2023:

The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process

- **Easter v. Sound Generations**, Case No. 21-2-16953-4 (Wash. Super.), Judge James E. Rogers ruled on July 14, 2023:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material terms of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of Civil Rule 23, applicable law, and the due process clauses of both the U.S. and Washington Constitutions.

- **Hezi v. Celsius Holdings, Inc.**, No. 1:21-CV-09892-VM (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Jennifer H. Rearden on April 5, 2023:

The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure carried out by Claims Administrator Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") afforded adequate protections to Class Members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Class Members. The Court finds and determines that the Notice was the best notice practicable, and has satisfied the requirements of law and due process.

- **Scott Gilmore et al. v. Monsanto Company, et al.**, No. 3:21-CV-8159 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Vince Chhabria on March 31, 2023:

The Court finds that Class Notice has been disseminated to the Class in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order and the Notice Plan. The Court further finds that this provided the best notice to the Class practicable under the circumstances, fully satisfied due process, met the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and complied with all other applicable law.



- **John Doe et al. v. Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital and KSB Medical Group, Inc.**, No. 2021L00026 (Cir. Ct. 15th Jud. Cir., Lee Cnty., Ill.), on March 28, 2023:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.

- **Sanders et al. v. Ibex Global Solutions, Inc. et al.**, No. 1:22-CV-00591 (D.D.C.), Judge Trevor N. McFadden on March 10, 2023:

An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).

- **Vaccaro v. Super Care, Inc.**, No. 20STCV03833 (Cal. Superior Court), Judge David S. Cunningham on March 10, 2023:

The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process.

- **Gonshorowski v. Spencer Gifts, LLC**, No. ATL-L-000311-22 (N.J. Super. Ct.), Judge Danielle Walcoff on March 3, 2023:

The Court finds that the Notice issued to the Settlement Class, as ordered in the Amended Preliminary Approval Order, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with New Jersey Court Rules 4:32-2(b)(2) and (e)(1)(B) and due process.

- **Vaccaro v. Delta Drugs II, Inc.**, No. 20STCV28871 (Cal. Superior Court), Judge Elihu M. Berle on March 2, 2023:

The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 382, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due



and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process.

- **Pagan, et al. v. Faneuil, Inc.**, No. 3:22-CV-297 (E.D. Va), Judge Robert E. Payne on February 16, 2023:

The Court finds that the Notice Program, set forth in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, was reasonably calculated to provide and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object and to appear at the final approval hearing or to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement, and satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, and other applicable law.

- **LaPrairie v. Presidio, Inc., et al.**, No. 1:21-CV-08795-JFK (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Andrew L. Carter, Jr. on December 12, 2022:

The Court hereby fully, finally and unconditionally approves the Settlement embodied in the Settlement Agreement as being a fair, reasonable and adequate settlement and compromise of the claims asserted in the Action. The Class Members have been given proper and adequate notice of the Settlement, fairness hearing, Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, and the service award to the Settlement Class Representative. An affidavit or declaration of the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the Notice process has been filed with the Court. The Notice process as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and ordered in the Preliminary Approval Order constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members in accordance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).

- **Nelson v. Bansley & Kiener, LLP**, No. 2021-CH-06274 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Sophia H. Hall on November 30, 2022:

The court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-801, et seq.

- **Buck, et al. v. Northwest Commercial Real Estate Investments, LLC, et al**, No. 21-2-03929-1-SEA (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Douglass A. North on September 30, 2022:

Pursuant to the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, Postcard Notice was distributed to the Class by First Class mail and Email Notice was distributed to all Class Members for whom the Settlement Administrator had a valid email address. The Court hereby finds and concludes that Postcard and Email Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and



in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the Postcard and Email Notice, and the distribution procedures set forth in the Settlement fully satisfy CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object or exclude themselves from the Settlement, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class Members as contemplated in the Settlement and this Final Approval Order.

- **Rivera, et al. v. Google LLC**, No. 2019-CH-00990 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Anna M. Loftus on September 28, 2022:

Pursuant to this Court's Order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement, Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") served as Settlement Administrator. This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.

- **Davonna James, et al. v. CohnReznick LLP**, No. 1:21-cv-06544 (S.D.N.Y.), Judge Lewis J. Liman on September 21, 2022:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).

- **Patricia Davidson, et al. v. Healthgrades Operating Company, Inc.**, No. 21-cv-01250-RBJ (D. Colo.), Judge R. Brooke Jackson on August 22, 2022:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c)(2).



- **Hosch et al. v. Drybar Holdings LLC**, No. 2021-CH-01976 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Pamela M. Meyerson on June 27, 2022:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.

- **Baldwin et al. v. National Western Life Insurance Company**, No. 2:21-cv-04066-WJE (W.D. MO), Judge Willie J. Epps, Jr. on June 16, 2022:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constituted the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Rule 23(c)(2).

- **Chapman et al. v. voestalpine Texas Holding LLC**, No. 2:17-cv-174 (S.D. Tex.), Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos on June 15, 2022:

The Class and Collective Notice provided pursuant to the Agreement and the Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement:

- (a) *Constituted the best practicable notice, under the circumstances;*
- (b) *Constituted notice that was reasonably calculated to apprise the Class Members of the pendency of this lawsuit, their right to object or exclude themselves from the proposed settlement, and to appear at the Fairness Hearing;*
- (c) *Was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice; and*
- (d) *Met all applicable requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution because it stated in plain, easily understood language the nature of the action; the definition of the class certified; the class claims, issues, or defenses; that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney if the member so desires; that the court will exclude from the class any member who requests exclusion; the time and manner for requesting exclusion; and the binding effect of a class judgment on members under Rule 23(c)(3).*

- **Clopp et al. v. Pacific Market Research LLC**, No. 21-2-08738-4 (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Kristin Richardson on May 27, 2022:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient



notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of Washington Civil Rule 23(c)(2).

- **Whitlock v. Christian Homes, Inc., et al**, No. 2020L6 (Circuit Court of Logan County, IL), Judge Jonathan Wright on May 6, 2022:

The Court has determined that the Notice given to the Settlement Class Members, in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, fully and accurately informed Settlement Class Members of all material elements of the Settlement and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and fully satisfied the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803, applicable law, and the Due Process Clauses of the U.S. Constitution and Illinois Constitution.

- **Hanson v. Welch Foods Inc.**, No. 3:20-cv-02011-JCS (N.D. Cal.), Judge Joseph C. Spero on April 15, 2022:

The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 5 and 9 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan detailed in the Declaration of Brandon Schwartz filed on October 1, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).

- **Dein v. Seattle City Light**, No. 19-2-21999-8 SEA (Wash. Super. Ct.), Judge Kristin Richardson on April 15, 2022:

The Court hereby finds and concludes that the notice was disseminated to Settlement Class Members in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement and in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order. The Court further finds and concludes that the notice fully satisfies CR 23(c)(2) and the requirements of due process, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all members of the Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and provided an opportunity for the Class Members to object to or exclude themselves from the Settlement.

- **Frank v. Cannabis & Glass, LLC, et al**, No. 19-cv-00250 (E.D. Wash.), Judge Stanley A. Bastian on April 11, 2022:

Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC, ("P&N"), the Settlement Administrator approved by the Court, completed the delivery of Class Notice according to the terms of the Agreement. The Class Text Message Notice given by the Settlement Administrator to the Settlement Class, which set forth the principal terms of the Agreement and other matters, was the best practicable notice under the circumstances, including individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort.



- **McMorrow, et al. v. Mondelez International, Inc.**, No. 17-cv-02327 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on April 8, 2022:

Notice was administered nationwide and achieved an overwhelmingly positive outcome, surpassing estimates from the Claims Administrator both in the predicted reach of the notice (72.94% as compared to 70%) as well as in participation from the class (80% more claims submitted than expected). (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 14, ECF No. 206-1; Final App. Mot. 3.) Only 46 potential Class Members submitted exclusions (Schwartz Decl. ¶ 21), and only one submitted an objection—however the objection opposes the distribution of fees and costs rather than the settlement itself. (Obj. 3.) The Court agrees with Plaintiffs that the strong claims rate, single fee-related objection, and low opt-out rate weigh in favor of final approval.

- **Daley, et al. v. Greystar Management Services LP, et al.**, No. 2:18-cv-00381 (E.D. Wash.), Judge Salvador Mendoz, Jr. on February 1, 2022:

The Settlement Administrator completed the delivery of Class Notice according to the terms of the Agreement. The Class Notice given by the Settlement Administrator to the Settlement Class.... was the best practicable notice under the circumstances. The Class Notice program.... was reasonable and provided due and adequate notice of these proceedings and of the matters set forth therein, including the terms of the Agreement, to all parties entitled to such notice. The Class Notice given to the Settlement Class Members satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of constitutional due process. The Class Notice was reasonably calculated under the circumstances to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of this Action....

- **Mansour, et al. v. Bumble Trading, Inc.**, No. RIC1810011 (Cal. Super.), Judge Sunshine Sykes on January 27, 2022:

The Court finds that the Class Notice and the manner of its dissemination constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances and was reasonably calculated, under all the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Litigation, the terms of the Agreement, and their right to object to or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class. The Court finds that the notice was reasonable, that it constituted due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to receive notice, and that it met the requirements of due process, Rules of Court 3.766 and 3.769(f), and any other applicable laws.

- **Hadley, et al. v. Kellogg Sales Company**, No. 16-cv-04955 (N.D. Cal.), Judge Lucy H. Koh on November 23, 2021:

The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice Plan filed on March 10, 2021, fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice



to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).

- **Miracle-Pond, et al. v. Shutterfly, Inc.**, No. 2019-CH-07050 (Circuit Court of Cook County, IL), Judge Raymond W. Mitchell on September 9, 2021:

This Court finds that the Settlement Administrator performed all duties thus far required as set forth in the Settlement Agreement. The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator has complied with the approved notice process as confirmed by its Declaration filed with the Court. The Court further finds that the Notice plan set forth in the Settlement as executed by the Settlement Administrator satisfied the requirements of Due Process and 735 ILCS 5/2-803. The Notice plan was reasonably calculated and constituted the best notice practicable to apprise Settlement Class Members of the nature of this litigation, the scope of the Settlement Class, the terms of the Settlement, the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or exclude themselves from the Settlement Class and the process for doing so, and of the Final Approval Hearing. Accordingly, the Court finds and concludes that the Settlement Class Members have been provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and that the Notice plan was clearly designed to advise the Settlement Class Members of their rights.

- **Jackson-Battle, et al. v. Navicent Health, Inc.**, No. 2020-CV-072287 (Ga Super.), Judge Jeffery O. Monroe on August 4, 2021:

The Court finds that such Notice as therein ordered, constitutes the best possible notice practicable under the circumstances and constitutes valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Settlement Class Members in compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A. §§ 9-11-23(c)(2).

- **In re: Interior Molded Doors Indirect Purchasers Antitrust Litigation**, No. 3:18-cv-00850 (E.D. Va.), Judge John A. Gibney on July 27, 2021:

The notice given to the Settlement Class of the settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement and the other matters set forth herein 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 and entities entitled to such notice, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Rules 23(c)(2) and 23(e) and the requirements of due process.

- **Krommenhock, et al. v. Post Foods, LLC**, No. 16-cv-04958 (N.D. Cal.), Judge William H. Orrick on June 25, 2021:

The Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in Sections 4 and 6 of the Settlement Agreement and the Notice Plan filed on January 18, 2021 fully satisfy



Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Classes as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(2)(C)(ii).

- **Winters, et al. v. Two Towns Ciderhouse, Inc.**, No. 20-cv-00468 (S.D. Cal.), Judge Cynthia Bashant on May 11, 2021:

The settlement administrator, Postlethwaite and Netterville, APAC ("P&N") completed notice as directed by the Court in its Order Granting Preliminary Approval of the Class Action Settlement. (Decl. of Brandon Schwartz Re: Notice Plan Implementation and Settlement Administration ("Schwartz Decl.") ¶¶ 4–14, ECF No. 24-5.)...Thus, the Court finds the Notice complies with due process.... With respect to the reaction of the class, it appears the class members' response has been overwhelmingly positive.

- **Siddle, et al. v. The Duracell Company, et al.**, No. 4:19-cv-00568 (N.D. Cal.), Judge James Donato on April 19, 2021:

The Court finds that the Class Notice and Claims Administration procedures set forth in the Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided due and sufficient individual notice to all persons in the Settlement Class who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Agreement and this Final Approval Order.

- **Fabricant v. Amerisave Mortgage Corporation**, No. 19-cv-04659-AB-AS (C.D. Cal.), Judge Andre Birotte, Jr. on November 25, 2020:

The Class Notice provided to the Settlement Class conforms with the requirements of Fed. Rule Civ. Proc. 23, the California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law, and constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, by providing individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and by providing due and adequate notice of the proceedings and of the matters set forth therein to the other Settlement Class Members. The notice fully satisfied the requirements of Due Process. No Settlement Class Members have objected to the terms of the Settlement.

- **Snyder, et al. v. U.S. Bank, N.A., et al.**, No. 1:16-CV-11675 (N.D. Ill), Judge Matthew F. Kennelly on June 18, 2020:

The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Settlement Class:



- a. The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;*
 - b. The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Settlement Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Consolidated Litigation, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.*
- ***Edward Makaron et al. v. Enagic USA, Inc.***, No. 2:15-cv-05145 (C.D. Cal.), Judge Dean D. Pregerson on January 16, 2020:

The Court makes the following findings and conclusions regarding notice to the Class:

- a. The Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order;*
 - b. The Class Notice: (i) constituted the best practicable notice under the circumstances to potential Class Members, (ii) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of the pendency of the Action, their right to object or to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, (iii) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient individual notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice, and (iv) complied fully with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, the United States Constitution, the Rules of this Court, and any other applicable law.*
 - ***Kimberly Miller et al. v. P.S.C, Inc., d/b/a Puget Sound Collections***, No. 3:17-cv-05864 (W. D. Wash.), Judge Ronald B. Leighton on January 10, 2020:
- The Court finds that the notice given to Class Members pursuant to the terms of the Agreement fully and accurately informed Class Members of all material elements of the settlement and constituted valid, sufficient, and due notice to all Class Members. The notice fully complied with due process, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and all other applicable law.*
- ***John Karpilovsky and Jimmie Criollo, Jr. et al. v. All Web Leads, Inc.***, No. 1:17-cv-01307 (N.D. Ill), Judge Harry D. Leinenweber on August 8, 2019:

The Court hereby finds and concludes that Class Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the



Settlement Agreement and that Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order.

The Court further finds and concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, provided individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement and this Order.

- **Paul Story v. Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, LLC**, No. 2:14-cv-02422 (E.D. Cal.), Judge John A. Mendez on March 13, 2018:

The Court finds that the Settlement Administrator delivered the Class Notice to the Class following the procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement; that the Class Notice and the procedures followed by the Settlement Administrator constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; and that the Class Notice and the procedures contemplated by the Settlement Agreement were in full compliance with the laws of the United States and the requirements of due process. These findings support final approval of the Settlement Agreement.

- **John Burford, et al. v. Cargill, Incorporated**, No. 05-0283 (W.D. La.), Judge S. Maurice Hicks, Jr. on November 8, 2012:

Considering the aforementioned Declarations of Carpenter and Mire as well as the additional arguments made in the Joint Motion and during the Fairness Hearing, the Court finds that the notice procedures employed in this case satisfied all of the Rule 23 requirements and due process.

- **In RE: FEMA Trailer Formaldehyde Product Liability Litigation**, MDL No. 1873, (E.D. La.), Judge Kurt D. Engelhardt on September 27, 2012:

After completing the necessary rigorous analysis, including careful consideration of Mr. Henderson's Declaration and Mr. Balhoff's Declaration, along with the Declaration of Justin I. Woods, the Court finds that the first-class mail notice to the List of Potential Class Members (or to their attorneys, if known by the PSC), Publication Notice and distribution of the notice in accordance with the Settlement Notice Plan, the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and this Court's Preliminary Approval Order:

- (a) constituted the best practicable notice to Class Members under the circumstances;*
- (b) provided Class Members with adequate instructions and a variety of means to obtain information pertaining to their rights and obligations under the settlement so that a full opportunity has been afforded to Class Members and all other persons wishing to be heard;*



- (c) was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Class Members of: (i) the pendency of this proposed class action settlement, (ii) their right to exclude themselves from the Class and the proposed settlement, (iii) their right to object to any aspect of the proposed settlement (including final certification of the settlement class, the fairness, reasonableness or adequacy of the proposed settlement, the adequacy of representation by Plaintiffs or the PSC, and/or the award of attorneys' fees), (iv) their right to appear at the Fairness Hearing - either on their own or through counsel hired at their own expense - if they did not exclude themselves from the Class, and (v) the binding effect of the Preliminary Approval Order and Final Order and Judgment in this action, whether favorable or unfavorable, on all persons who do not timely request exclusion from the Class;*
- (d) was calculated to reach a large number of Class Members, and the prepared notice documents adequately informed Class Members of the class action, properly described their rights, and clearly conformed to the high standards for modern notice programs;*
- (e) focused on the effective communication of information about the class action. The notices prepared were couched in plain and easily understood language and were written and designed to the highest communication standards;*
- (f) afforded sufficient notice and time to Class Members to receive notice and decide whether to request exclusion or to object to the settlement.;*
- (g) was reasonable and constituted due, adequate, effective, and sufficient notice to all persons entitled to be provided with notice; and*
- (h) fully satisfied the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution, including the Due Process Clause, and any other applicable law.*



Exhibit C: Data Management Practices and Security Protocols

Data Management Practices and Security Protocols

Confidentiality is Paramount for Our Profession

Confidentiality is of the utmost importance to our client relationships. At EisnerAmper, we are committed to keeping client data secure, which is why we have designed engagement tools and policies to help ensure information security and privacy.

EisnerAmper employs professionals that maintain numerous information technology and data security certifications as well as a Service Organization Control (SOC) services team that has substantial experience in performing SOC engagements for service organizations in a variety of industries. Our SOC services team includes personnel with specialized internal control training and backgrounds. Our professionals have completed the AICPA's SOC School and hold relevant industry certifications. Our professionals help ensure that service organizations receive the highest level of assurance over the effectiveness of their internal controls.



EisnerAmper professionals maintain the following certifications related to information technology, data security, internal controls, and compliance:

CISA (Certified Information Systems Auditor)	CIA (Certified Internal Auditor)
CISSP (Certified Info Systems Security Professional)	CITP (Certified Information Technology Professional)
CIPP/US (Certified Information Privacy Professional/United States)	CRISC (Certified in Risk & Information Systems Control)
CIPM (Certified Information Privacy Manager)	Certified HITRUST Practitioner
JNCIS (Juniper Networks Cert. Internet Specialist)	VCP5 (VMware Certified Professional v5)
RSA/CSE (Certified Security Engineer)	VCP6 (VMware Certified Professional v6)
Checkpoint Certified Security Admin	MCITP (Microsoft Certified IT Professional)
MCITP & MCSE - Messaging	MCSE (Microsoft Certified System Engineer)
CCSP (Cisco Certified Security Professional)	CCVP (Cisco Certified Voice Professional)
CCNA (Cisco Certified Network Associate)	CCNP (Cisco Certified Network Professional)
JNCIA (Juniper Networks Certified Associate)	CCDA (Cisco Certified Design Associate)

MCNE (Master Certified Novell Engineer)

BCFP (Brocade Fiber Channel Professional)

BCSD (Brocade Certified SAN Designer)

EnCE (Encase Certified Forensic Examiner)

DOSD (Dell On Site Diagnostics)

AccessData Certified Forensic Examiner

Our security processes follow industry accepted standards such as NIST, HITRUST, CIS Controls; any required elements from regulatory bodies/legislation such as AICPA, HIPAA, HITECH, FFIEC, CUNA, various state requirements; and vendor best practices (i.e. Microsoft, Cisco, VMWare, etc.) We apply the same requirements delivered through our client engagements to our internal processes. Our work product for client engagements have been reviewed, tested, and ultimately accepted by regulatory bodies and government entities such as OCR, FFIEC, and CUNA.

The EisnerAmper Team served as an expert in an Office for Civil Rights (OCR) investigation for a HIPAA breach at a large, national covered entity. OCR recognized the EisnerAmper Team as "HIPAA Experts" in their final report.

Overview of General Security Practices

Eisner Advisory Group LLC, EisnerAmper LLP and all applicable subsidiaries maintain their network environment with a managed data center provider with locations exclusively in the U.S. The environment is protected at the perimeter with:

- ▲ ***Next-generation firewalls***
- ▲ ***DMZ***
- ▲ ***24/7 Intrusion Detection & Prevention services***

On the interior, activities are monitored with:

- ▲ ***Web Application Firewalls***
- ▲ ***Inbound/outbound Internet and Email filtering***
- ▲ ***Data Loss Prevention***
- ▲ ***Endpoint Detection & Response systems on every endpoint and server***

System patching and vulnerability remediation are fully automated. All internal data is encrypted using TLS 1.3 in transit and multi-factor-authentication is used for authentication. EisnerAmper

employees receive mandatory Information Security and Social Engineering training on an annual basis.

Client Data Hosting & Security

We utilize data hosting and security services of DartPoints, who maintains certified data centers that adhere to the most rigid standards and meet compliance regulations like PCI, HIPAA, FINRA, Sarbanes-Oxley, and Gramm-Leach-Bliley.



DartPoints Operating Company, LLC. undergoes an annual System and Organizational Controls 2 (SOC 2), Type II exam covering the Security, Confidentiality, Availability, and Processing Integrity Trust Services Categories. EisnerAmper has reviewed the most recent independent auditor report and attest that the scope addressed the current SOC 2, Type II trust services criteria for the in scope categories and the audit opinion was unmodified ("clean" opinion), in all material respects. Based on EisnerAmper's ongoing vendor monitoring procedures, DartPoints SOC 2, Type II exams have consistently included an unmodified opinion.

Web Application Firewall (WAF)

EisnerAmper utilizes Cloudflare's Web Application Firewall (WAF) to provide robust protection of websites by leveraging advanced threat intelligence and machine learning. Cloudflare blocks the latest attacks, including zero-day exploits, by processing millions of HTTP requests per second. The WAF uses managed and custom rulesets to prevent common threats like SQL injection, cross-site scripting, and credential stuffing. Additionally, you can define challenges or block certain traffic based on the IP address's geographical location. With fast deployment and easy management, Cloudflare's WAF integrates seamlessly with the firm's other security measures.



Two-Factor Authentication

Our proprietary claims management applications utilize two-factor authentication provided by Duo Security (<https://duo.com>) for all system users. As described by Duo, *"two-factor authentication adds a second layer of security to your online accounts. Verifying your identity using a second factor (like your mobile phone or other mobile device) prevents anyone but you from logging in, even if they know your password."*



Mass Data Transmission Through Secure Web Portal

In our efforts to use technology to make our client relationships more effective and efficient, EisnerAmper can establish a secure web portal for data transfer on an as-needed basis. Simply put, a secure web portal is a password protected area on our servers that allows users to securely transfer and retrieve information. When transferring a large volume of documents, using a secure web portal is a more efficient practice than traditional methods.

Limited Access to Information and Data Encryption

EisnerAmper makes every reasonable effort to limit access to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended purpose of the use, disclosure, or request of information resources. Data is protected in transit using TLS 1.3. To further enhance the security of sensitive data at rest, EisnerAmper employs advanced techniques such as column-level encryption and symmetric key encryption. Column-level encryption allows specific columns within a database to be encrypted, ensuring that even if unauthorized access occurs, the sensitive data remains unreadable without the appropriate decryption keys. Symmetric key encryption, on the other hand, uses a single key to both encrypt and decrypt data, providing a fast and efficient method to secure sensitive information. This method ensures that only authorized parties with the correct key can access the data, adding an additional layer of security to protect personal identifiable information (PII), and other sensitive data.

Employee Security Protocols Training and Testing

All firm employees are required to complete annual security awareness training. This is a web-based interactive training using common traps, live demonstration videos, short tests and the new scenario-based Danger Zone exercises. The training specializes in making sure employees understand the importance of protecting information like PII and mechanisms of spam, phishing, spear phishing, malware, ransomware and social engineering, and are able to apply this knowledge in their day-to-day jobs.

Insurance and Limitations of Liability

EisnerAmper maintains insurance coverages appropriate for its size and industry, including cyber and professional liability insurance. More detailed information will be provided on request.



EisnerAmper standard contract language limits liability to the fees paid for the service of work product giving rise to liability. Such limitation does not apply where damages are judicially determined to have been caused by EA's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Quality Control

Our claims administration teams include professionals trained and certified in, among others, the following areas: project management (PMP), accounting (CPA), internal controls and risk (CIA), information systems controls (CISA), fraud examination (CFE), information systems security (CISSP), and legal analysis (JD).

Our project initiation phase includes an identification of critical focus areas and implementation of a plan that covers the following key components of quality control in the context of claims administration service delivery.

Resource Consistency & Training: Because we maintain a large, diverse professional workforce, our team is scalable without the need for temporary employees for every major project. This organic scalability is important in terms of retained process knowledge as well as consistency of execution and deliverables.

Data Validation: EA implements proactive data validation measures into our online claims platform to minimize claim deficiencies, duplication, and anomalies that require dedication of resources and expenses throughout the claims process.

Segregation of Duties: Segregation of duties is important for risk mitigation and internal control – particularly in the accounting function for large fund projects. The diversity and scalability of our workforce would allow each high risk component of the claims life cycle to be performed by a team member that specializes in the relevant professional area (rather than a single project manager or assigned resource).

Technology & Software Analysis Tools: EA utilizes various software tools to assist in the execution of quality control procedures and identification of suspicious activity. Our systems include “fuzzy” matching logic which allows us to detect and address duplicate claim submissions. We also maintain service subscriptions for technology programs that allow us to research potential fraudulent claim submissions and enables us to report our findings to the parties and Court as appropriate.

Internal Controls: For high risk projects and data sets, our team is able to utilize our Certified Internal Audit (CIA) and other control and risk advisory professionals to design data management and processing protocols that ensure proper internal controls are established.



Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Detection and Prevention

We believe that effective claims administration protocols include fraud detection and prevention but also include mechanisms that combat waste and abuse from legitimate, non-fraudulent sources. EA uses a variety of techniques to prevent and deter fraud as well as monitor areas that are at high risk for wasteful and abusive claims activity. The following sections outline various methods that we employ to fight fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA) in our claims programs.

Data Validation: One mechanism that helps prevent abuse of the claims process, particularly in a claims process that requires minimal documentation (or no claim support), is to implement a maximum number of “units” that can be claimed without supporting documentation. Enforcing a process in which “high volume” claims follow a particular protocol allows us to easily identify high risk claims and implement particular audit or verification procedures focused on that subset of claim submissions.

It may also be reasonable to establish claim filing rules that help proactively prevent duplicative claim submissions. For example, it may be reasonable to limit claims to one-per-user or one-per-household basis. In this situation, the online claims filing platform may be programmed to reject the submission of claims if a previous claim exists that includes the same attributes such as email address, mailing address, or other information such as serial/model number, etc.

Duplicate Claim Identification: Of course, data validation methods are effective only to the extent that the claim submission rules do not become a barrier to participation. Therefore, it is also necessary to utilize techniques to ensure that duplicate claims are identified after they are submitted.

To meet this need, EA utilizes technology that includes “fuzzy” matching logic which allows us to detect and address duplicate claim submissions by going beyond exact matches and analyzing claims that have similar characteristics across a number of fields. For example, we may compare claims that have a combination of 90% commonality amongst the claimant name and 95% match for mailing address (and vice versa). Using these techniques across different claimant attributes has allowed us to identify thousands of duplicative claims that otherwise do not appear suspicious.

Data Analytics: Another method that helps to identify potential FWA activity is the use of data analysis. Our business intelligence professionals utilize custom reporting to identify anomalies in large claims datasets and assess those outliers. We utilize exception reporting to capture scenarios that exist within the data (but should not reasonably be possible) so that we can take appropriate corrective action as needed.

Research Tools: EA maintains service subscriptions for technology programs that allow us to research potential fraudulent claim submissions and enables us to either confirm the legitimacy



of claim information or document findings so that we can report to the parties and Court as appropriate.

The following examples illustrate our experiencing in employing fraud detection and prevention tools and processes in the class action settlement environment:

CRT Antitrust Litigation

EA helped establish various thresholds for claims audit procedures as well as executed many different claims analysis processes to identify high risk or suspicious claims activity.

To date, EA's efforts have resulted in a recovery of over \$100 Million in settlement fund value. We have achieved significant results related to (a) ineligible claim withdrawals, (b) duplicate claim identification, (c) adjustments resulting from completed claim audits, and (d) FWA procedures. The value of the recovery is determined by the total per-unit dollar value increase of all units which remain in the settlement program as a result of the claims review process.

Deepwater Horizon Economic Claims Center (DHECC)

EA provided personnel to help create the fraud, waste and abuse (FWA) team for this program. This team managed and oversaw the investigative review process of potentially fraudulent Business Economic Loss and Seafood claims.

Engineering the Process – EA created the investigative work plans, consistency guidelines and a quality checklist to drive uniformity of each investigation. The guidelines documented standard language, management decisions, investigation requirements, scope and best practices.

Predictive Analysis (Statistical Analysis Software, or SAS) – Our analysts recommended data points and metrics for predictive modeling and anomaly detection within the data analytics software used to automate the way in which potentially fraudulent claims were identified. Our team tested the weighted business rules used to score claims based on where they fell on a spectrum, which allowed for the prioritization of claims with a higher likelihood of fraud.

Investigation & Reporting – EA's FWA team performed a thorough investigation of the financial records for claims identified by SAS in addition to internal and external referrals as having indicia of fraud. Investigations included review of documentation germane to claim, identification and investigation of red flags, and outreach to claimants or third parties, as necessary. The fraud team created a summary of fraud findings for each claim utilizing analysis and state and federal databases. Analysts prepared detailed court documents for appeals panelists in the event claimants appealed the initial findings, and circulated internal reports of possible organized fraud schemes.