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16	COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA	
17	STAR JOSHUA, individually and on behalf of all	G N G22 01/04
18	others similarly situated,	Case No. C23-01684
19	Plaintiff,	DECLARATION OF RYAN ALDRIDGE REGARDING ADMINISTRATION
		QUALIFICATIONS AND NOTICE
20	V.	PROCEDURES IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY
21	THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA; MARC SHORR, in his official capacity; and DOES 1	APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT
22	through 100, inclusive,	
23		Date: Time:
24	Defendants.	Dept. 39
25		Judge: Hon. Edward G. Weil
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- 1. I am a Project Manager for the proposed Settlement Administrator, Eisner Advisory Group, LLC ("EAG" or "EisnerAmper"), <sup>1</sup> a full-service administration firm providing legal administration services, including the design, development, and implementation of unbiased complex legal notification programs. We were asked by Counsel to review and execute the proposed Notice Plan in the above-referenced matter (the "Action").<sup>2</sup> The following statements are based on my personal knowledge as well as information provided by other experienced employees working under my supervision.
- 2. We have undertaken 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 privacy, products liability, consumer rights, mass tort, antitrust, insurance, and healthcare. The accomplished members of our team possess extensive experience in the design and implementation of notice procedures involving various aspects of class certification and settlement programs. The courts have consistently acknowledged both the credibility of our team and the effectiveness of our class action notice plans. Attached hereto is a curriculum vitae as **Exhibit A**.
- 3. EisnerAmper 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, and 24/7 Intrusion Detection & Prevention services. System patching and vulnerability remediation are fully automated. User access rights are assigned under the Principle of Least Privilege with enforcement via zero trust micro-segmentation, strict group access permissions, and disabled local administrator rights. All remote connections require multifactor authentication. All internal data is encrypted using TLS 1.3 in transit, and AES256 or higher at rest. The Technology and Human Resources teams maintain a direct connection between the network access management system and HR system, so user provisioning/deprovisioning for new hires and terminations is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of May 21, 2023, the directors & employees of Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") joined EisnerAmper as EAG Gulf Coast, LLC. Where P&N is named as an entity, EAG Gulf Coast, LLC employees will service work contracted with P&N.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this document shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Settlement Agreement.

automatic. All users receive mandatory Information Security and Social Engineering training on an annual basis.

#### **OVERVIEW**

- 4. Based on our review of the Settlement Agreement, the proposed Settlement Class consists of:

  All persons with California mailing addresses who were mailed a letter sent from
  Defendant County entitled "NOTICE OF DATA BREACH" on or about May 10,
  2023.
- 5. Excluded from the Settlement Class are all those persons who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class, as well as: (i) County's County Board of Supervisors and/or the Related Entities; (ii) all Settlement Class Members who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class; and (iii) the members of the judiciary who have presided or are presiding over this matter and their families and staff.
- 6. The objective of this Notice Program is to ensure the delivery of the most feasible and effective notice to the Settlement Class, in compliance with the provisions set forth in Cal. R. 3.769(f) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 23. Consequently, it is my opinion that the ensuing Notice Program satisfies due process standards and adheres to the recommendations in the Court's Handy Guide to Department 39 and the Los Angeles Superior Court Complex Civil Department's Checklist for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement.

## PROPOSED NOTICE PROGRAM

7. Class Counsel has informed us that the estimated total size of the Settlement Class is approximately 15,591 individuals. Upon preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement, Defendant will provide the Claims Administrator with the name and physical address of each Settlement Class Member (collectively, "Class Member Information") that County and/or the Released Entities possess.

# **Direct Mail Notice**

8. The Summary Notice will be mailed (the "Postcard Notice") via United States Postal Service ("USPS") First Class Mail to the Settlement Class identified in the Class Member Information list. 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 Class Member address information for proper

formatting and mail delivery.<sup>3</sup> Additionally, the addresses will be validated through the Coding Accuracy Support System ("CASS") to uphold zip code precision, while Delivery Point Validation ("DPV") will be employed to verify address accuracy. In the event that NCOA provides a more current mailing address for a Class Member, we will update the address accordingly. In instances where a Postcard Notice is returned with forwarding address information, we will re-send to the newly provided address. For any Postcard Notices that are returned as undeliverable, we will utilize standard skip-tracing techniques to obtain forwarding address information. If skip-tracing yields an alternative forwarding mailing address, we will re-mail the notice to the address identified through the skip-tracing process.

9. A Supplemental Email Reminder Notice will be emailed to the Settlement Class Members who have not yet submitted claims as of twenty-eight (28) days prior to the Claims Deadline.

#### **Settlement Website**

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10. EAG will create and maintain a website, www.ContraCostaDataSettlement.com, dedicated to this Settlement ("Settlement Website"). The Settlement Website address will be prominently included in Short and Long Form Notices (collectively, the "Notices"). The Notices, along with other relevant documents such as the Settlement Agreement and the Preliminary Approval Order, will be posted on the Settlement Website for Class Members to review and download. The Settlement Website will also provide the ability to file claims electronically, and will include relevant dates, answers to frequently asked questions, instructions for how Class Members may opt-out (request exclusion) from or object to the Settlement Agreement, contact information for the Settlement Administrator, and other case-related information. The application for Attorneys' fees and final judgement will be posted to the website once available.

#### **Dedicated Toll-Free Hotline**

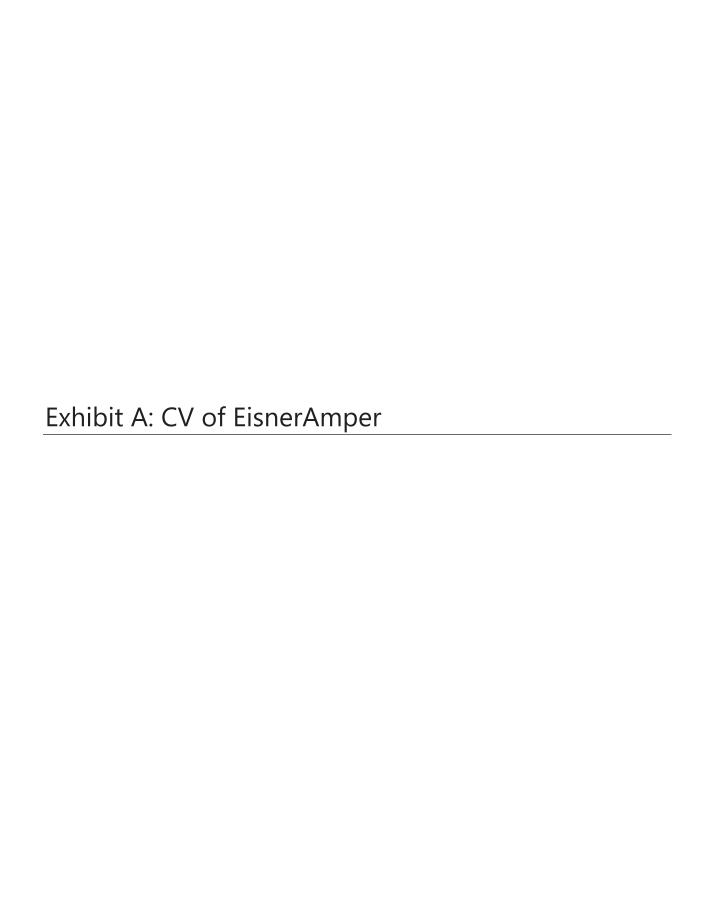
11. A dedicated toll-free informational hotline will be available 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The hotline will utilize an interactive voice response ("IVR") system where Class Members can obtain essential information regarding the Settlement and be provided responses to frequently asked questions. Class Members will also have the option to leave a voicemail and receive a call back from the Claims

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The NCOA database is maintained by the USPS and consists of approx. 160 million permanent change-of-address (COA) records consisting of names and addresses of individuals, families, and businesses who have filed a change-of-address with the Postal Service<sup>TM</sup>. The address information is maintained on the database for 48 months.

1 Administrator. 2 Requests for Exclusion 3 12. Class Members that want to exclude themselves from the Class may submit a request for exclusion by mail to a dedicated Post Office Box that we will maintain. We will monitor all mail delivered 4 5 to that Post Office Box and will track all exclusion requests received, which will be provided to the Parties. NOTICE AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS 6 7 13. We estimate \$47,551 in fees and costs to implement the proposed Notice Plan and administer 8 the settlement, including \$12,999 in postage costs. 9 **CONCLUSION** 14. The proposed Notice Plan encompasses individualized direct notice written in accordance 10 11 with plain language guidance – to all members of the Class who can be identified through reasonable efforts. 12 This Notice Plan will provide the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances. 13 15. It is my opinion, based on my experience, as well as the expertise of my team, that this method of focused notice dissemination provides effective notice in this Action, will provide the best notice that is 14 practicable, adheres to Cal. R. 3.769(f) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 23, follows the guidance set forth in the Manual 15 for Complex Litigation 4th Ed. and FJC guidance, and exceeds the requirements of due process, including 16 its "desire to actually inform" requirement.4 17 18 **CERTIFICATION** 19 I, Ryan Aldridge, declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. 20 21 Ryan Aldridge 22 23 24 25 26 27

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Mullane v. Cent. Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 339 U.S. 306, 315 (1950)





# Class & Mass Action Settlement Administration

# Our Approach

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# Sample Case Experience\*



## **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.
- Siddle et al. v. The Duracell Co. et al.
- · Copley, et al. v. Bactolac Pharmaceutical, Inc.
- Hughes et al. v. AutoZone Parts Inc. et al.
- Winters v. Two Towns Ciderhouse, Inc.
- Burford et al. v. Cargill, Incorporated
- Fabricant v. AmeriSave Mortgage Corp. (TCPA)
- 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)<sup>4</sup>
- 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)<sup>1</sup>
- In re: Testosterone Replacement Therapy Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2545)<sup>1</sup>
- In re: Paraquat Products Liability Litigation (MDL 3004)<sup>1</sup>
- In re: Paragard Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2974)
- In re: Roundup Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2741)<sup>2</sup>
- Essure Product Liability Settlement<sup>3</sup>
- 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)

\*Work 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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# **EAG Claims Administration Experience**

#### SAMPLE JUDICIAL COMMENTS

• *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 (Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Illinois, Lee County), 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 (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,* 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, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated 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 (Superior Court King County, WA), 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 (Superior Court King County, WA), 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 an 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. III), 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. III), 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.

