
Notice of Settlement Approval and Distribution

Rose v Province of New Brunswick Class Action

Re: Fire at the Southeast Regional Correctional Facility, located in Shediac, New Brunswick, on October 25, 2017

You are receiving this notice and distribution confirmation form because you are eligible to receive funds from a class action settlement that has been approved by the Court of King's Bench of New Brunswick, Trial Division. If you have questions about this notice or how to receive funds, you should contact the Claims Administrator, CA2 Inc., at the contact information provided at the end of this notice.

Distribution Response Deadline

In order to receive funds from the Settlement, you must confirm your address with the Claims Administrator. The address you confirm will be used to communicate with you regarding the Settlement and for mailing of the settlement funds. You must respond to this letter by no later than **July 15th, 2025**, by returning a completed Claim Form. A downloadable version of the Claim Package is available online at www.classaction2.com/shediacfire.html.

If you do not respond by the deadline, you will forfeit your entitlement to any funds.

Responses to the Claims Administrator will be kept confidential.

Overview of the Class Action

This settlement concerns the allegation the Province of New Brunswick is liable to the Class Members for the negligence of the Correctional Facility staff and for the breach of the inmates' *Charter* rights in response to a fire occurring on October 25, 2017.

The Class Members are all persons who were inmates of the Southeast Regional Correctional Facility, located in Shediac, New Brunswick, during the outbreak of the fire. Class Members are automatically included in the settlement unless they took steps to opt out by March 15th, 2021.

The Province of New Brunswick defended this class action and denies these allegations. It has not been proven in court.

Overview of the Settlement

The Plaintiffs have entered into a settlement agreement with the Province of New Brunswick (the "Settlement"). The Settlement provides for payment of CDN \$1,275,000 all inclusive, including a streamlined distribution which does not require Class Members to prove any injury. The Settlement has now been approved by the Court and Settlement Class Members who are eligible can now receive the approved distribution.

The Province has agreed to pay an all-inclusive sum of CDN \$1,275,000 (inclusive of all claims, costs, interest, and taxes, as well as certain settlement administration costs). After deducting Class Counsel's fees, and subject to applicable deductions, the balance of settlement fund (the "Net Settlement Amount") will be distributed to the Class who suffered the common experience of the fire.

Class Members who suffered a physical or psychological injury will be able to make a separate claim from the Net Settlement Amount, in order to be compensated for their injuries.

Class Members will have to complete a Claim Form in order to receive payment. These will be processed by the Claims Administrator.

Class Counsel will be seeking a fee of 30% on the CDN \$1,275,000 settlement fund, plus HST and repayment of disbursements in accordance with the retainer agreement in this case. The 30% contingency fee in this case must be approved by the Court.

You will receive a single cheque for your entitlement, mailed to your confirmed address.

The Province of New Brunswick denies the truth of the allegations in the Action and denies any liability whatsoever.

You have been identified as someone who was an inmate of the Southeast Regional Correctional Facility, located in Shediac, New Brunswick, during the outbreak of the fire on October 25, 2017.

If you have any questions or concerns about whether you are eligible, you may contact the Claims Administrator.

A complete copy of the Settlement Agreement and other information about this lawsuit is available at: <https://valentlegal.ca/class-action/shediac-fire-class-action/>.

Contact Information

If you would like additional information, please contact the Claims Administrator by email at shediacfire@classaction2.com, by telephone at 1-800-538-0009, or by mail to the following address:

Southeast Regional Correctional Facility Class Action
Re: Rose v Province of New Brunswick
c/o CA2 Inc.
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Toronto, ON M5R 1B2

Do not direct inquiries about this notice to the Court. Inquiries should first be directed to the Claims Administrator.

If you still have questions after speaking with the Claims Administrator, you may contact Class Counsel, Valent Legal and Mr. Michael Dull, at mike@valentlegal.ca or 902-443-4488.

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THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TRIAL DIVISION*