

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION AND SETTLEMENT APPROVAL HEARING (SHORT) NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN LAURENTIAN UNIVERSITY CLASS ACTION

Please read this Notice carefully. Your legal rights may be affected regardless of whether or not you act.

This Notice is for all Persons whose personal information was compromised, stolen, and/or disclosed in the security incident that occurred between January 21, 2017 and January 25, 2017 at Laurentian University of Sudbury (the “Data Incident”).

Sarah Connell v. Laurentian University of Sudbury (Court File No. 1076/17 CP)

The Class Action

A representative Plaintiff (identified as Sarah Connell) commenced a class proceeding against Laurentian (the “Action”), seeking damages on behalf of individuals whose Personal information was in possession of Laurentian and was compromised, stolen, and/or disclosed in the Data Incident. Laurentian denies the allegations made against it in this class proceeding. McKenzie Lake Lawyers LLP represents the class (“Class Counsel”).

The parties to the class proceeding have reached a settlement (the “Settlement”) and the Action has been certified as a class action for the purposes of completing the Settlement.

The Settlement Class is:

All persons whose personal information was compromised, stolen, and/or disclosed in the Data Incident that occurred between January 21, 2017 and January 25, 2017 at Laurentian University.

The Proposed Settlement

If the Settlement is approved by the Court, Laurentian has agreed to provide a Settlement Fund of CAD \$200,000.00 to pay Settlement Class Member claims.

If the Settlement is approved, Settlement Class Members would be eligible to submit either a Documented Claim or Undocumented Claim.

Settlement Class Members who have suffered damages, losses, costs and/or unreimbursed expenses caused by the Data Incident and who submit a Claim Form evidencing (i) their Membership in the Settlement Class; and (ii) documented damages incurred as a result of the Data Incident, would be eligible for the reimbursement of such damages up to CAD \$1,000 (“Documented Claim”).

Settlement Class Members who do not have documentation or proof of damages and who submit a Claim Form evidencing their Membership in the Settlement Class would be entitled to CAD \$35 for reimbursement of lost time (“Undocumented Claim”).

How the Case will Proceed

The Court will convene a hearing to decide whether it approves the Settlement and the proposed Class Counsel fees at the same time. This hearing will be held on **JUNE 18, 2025**.

If you are a Settlement Class Member, and you object to the terms of the Settlement, or to the fees that Class Counsel will request, you are entitled to file a written objection with the Court. The procedure for filing a written objection is as follows:

- Your objection must be sent to the Claims Administrator by **MAY 29, 2025**;
- Your objection must include a heading that refers to the Action and court file number (i.e. Sarah Connell v. Laurentian University of Sudbury, Court File No. 1076/17 CP).
- Your objection must include your name, address, telephone number and email address, and if represented by counsel, the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of counsel;
- You must provide a statement as to whether you intend to appear at the Settlement Approval Hearing (Settlement Class Members who object may also ask the Court for the right to speak at the Settlement Approval Hearing);
- You must provide a declaration that you consider yourself to be included in the Settlement Class;
- You must provide your reason(s) for objecting;
- You must provide copies of any papers, briefs or other documents upon which the objection is based; and
- You must provide your signature.

The contact particulars for the Class Administrator are:

McKenzie Lake Lawyers LLP
140 Fullarton Street, Suite 1800
London, ON N6A 5P2
Toll-Free Telephone: 1-844-672-5666
Email: christina.wolfe@mckenzielake.com

If the Court approves the Settlement, then a further notice will be provided to the Settlement Class with details explaining how to make a claim for a portion of the Settlement Fund.

Participating in the Class Action

If the Settlement is approved by the Court, and you are a Member of the Settlement Class, you are automatically included in the Action, and will be entitled to claim a share of the Settlement Fund, and you will give a release of all potential claims against Laurentian regarding the Data Incident, unless you exclude yourself from the Action by “opting-out”.

If the Settlement is not approved by the Court, and you do not opt out, you will be bound by all results in the Action whether favourable to the Settlement Class or not. However, Settlement Class Members are never liable to pay adverse court costs to Laurentian.

Excluding Yourself from the Class Action

If you fall within the Settlement Class definition and you do not wish to participate in the Action, you must opt-out of the Action, by sending a written election to opt-out to the Claims Administrator at the address above.

The deadline to file the opt-out notice is **JUNE 9, 2025**.

If you opt-out by the deadline, it means that you may seek to bring your own lawsuit, and you will not be bound by the Settlement or any result in the Action. It also means that you cannot object to the Settlement, or request or obtain any of the Settlement Fund approved by the Court.

If the Court does not Approve the Settlement

If the Court declines to approve the Settlement, it will not be completed, the certification order will be set aside, the Action will continue against Laurentian on a contested basis.

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You can also visit www.laurentiandataclassaction.com, where you will find information and documents about the Settlement, a Claim Form, plus other information.

This Notice was approved by order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer. The court office will be unable to answer any questions about the matters in this Notice. Please do not contact them.