# ONTARIO CORRECTIONS STAFFING-RELATED LOCKDOWNS CLASS ACTIONS SETTLEMENT: NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT APPROVAL

Please read this notice carefully. Your rights may be affected even if you do not take any action.

#### Who Is This Notice For?

This notice is for all Class Members in the Lapple and Dadzie Actions. You may be able to claim money in a class action Settlement.

Lapple Action (Inmates)	All current and former inmates of Ontario correctional institutions as defined in the <i>Ministry of Correctional Services Act</i> (other than the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre, the Ontario Correctional Institute, or the St. Lawrence Valley Correctional and Treatment Centre) between May 30, 2009 and November 27, 2017, including those detained pending trial or other court appearance.	
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Dadzie Action (Immigration Detainees)	All persons detained under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> at Ontario correctional institutions as defined in the <i>Ministry of Correctional Services Act</i> (other than the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre, the Ontario Correctional Institute, or the St. Lawrence Valley Correctional and Treatment Centre) between May 30, 2009 and November 27, 2017 (solely with respect to their detention under the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> ).	

## What Is The Purpose of This Notice?

This notice is to inform you that the Ontario Superior Court of Justice has approved the Settlement reached in two certified class action lawsuits against Ontario and Canada (the "Defendants").

The lawsuits allege that the Defendants improperly subjected inmates and immigration detainees to chronic staffing-related lockdowns. The Defendants deny those allegations, and the Court did not decide who was right. The Parties have instead reached a voluntary Settlement. The Settlement was approved on October 22, 2025.

#### What Is Available Under the Settlement?

There is a Settlement Fund of \$59 million available to pay eligible Class Members as well as certain fees and expenses, including Honoraria for each Representative Plaintiff and Class Counsel Fees in the amounts approved by the Court.

Class Members may be eligible to receive a payment under the Settlement if they submit a valid Claim before the Claims Deadline (December 1, 2026). An Administrator and/or an Adjudicator will decide the Claims according to the procedures and criteria set out in the Settlement Agreement.

The amount paid for an approved Claim will depend on the number of staffing-related lockdowns experienced and the nature of harm suffered. The payment could range from \$2,000 to \$68,000, but it could be less depending on how many Claims are approved.

## Who Is Eligible for Compensation??

You may be eligible for compensation if:

- (1) you were an **inmate** at an Ontario Correctional Institution (other than the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre, the Ontario Correctional Institute, or the St. Lawrence Valley Correctional and Treatment Centre) **between**August 15, 2014 and November 27, 2017, OR you were an **immigration detainee** at an Ontario Correctional Institution (not including those same three facilities) **between August 11, 2014 and November 27, 2017**; and
- (2) you experienced 16 or more staffing-related lockdowns within that time period.

If you experienced 16 or more staffing-related lockdowns while you were either:

• an inmate at an Ontario Correctional Institution (not including the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre, the Ontario Correctional Institute, or the St. Lawrence Valley Correctional and Treatment Centre) between May 30, 2009, and August 14, 2014, or

• an immigration detainee at an Ontario Correctional Institution (not including those same three facilities) between May 30, 2009, and August 10, 2014,

you may still qualify for compensation if:

- you can show you were **legally unable to start a lawsuit during that time** (you'll need to submit both a Claim Form and a Statute-Barred Claim Form), or
- you qualify to make a Claim under the Exceptional Circumstances Protocol.

You must submit a Claim by December 1, 2026 to be considered for compensation.

For more details, visit **ontjailstafflockdowns.ca** or contact the Administrator.

#### How Do I Make a Claim?

The period for submitting a Claim runs until December 1, 2026. During that period, you can make a Claim by filling out the Claim Form (and Statute-Barred Claim Form, if applicable) and submitting it (and any supporting documents) to the Administrator online, by mail, or by email, on or before December 1, 2026.

The deadline to submit a Claim Form is December 1, 2026. Within forty-five (45) days after that date, you may be able to submit a late Claim if you provide written reasons for failing to submit a Claim Form on time. See ontjailstafflockdowns.ca for more details. After that, it will be too late for your Claim to be considered.

### Where Can I Get Additional Information?

For more information, visit **ontjailstafflockdowns.ca** or contact the Administrator at:

# Ontario Corrections Staffing-Related Lockdowns Class Actions Administrator

c/o Deloitte LLP PO Box 7545 STN Adelaide Toronto, ON M5C 0C4 Toll-Free Telephone: 1-844-742-0825 Email: info@ontjailstafflockdowns.ca

You can also get legal advice from one of the law firms for the Class Members at the contact information below:

Lapple Class (Inmates)	Dadzie Class (Immigration Detainees)
Koskie Minsky LLP Email: ontarioprison@kmlaw.ca Toll-Free Telephone: 1-866-777-6339 Website: https://kmlaw.ca/cases/ontario-prisoner-class-action/	Koskie Minsky LLP Email: idclassaction@kmlaw.ca Toll-Free Telephone: 1-866-777-6309 Website: https://kmlaw.ca/cases/immigrant-detainee-class-action/
McKenzie Lake Lawyers LLP Email: ont.detention.centres@mckenzielake.com Toll-Free Telephone: 1-855-772-3556 Website: https://www.mckenzielake.com/ontario-detention-centres-class-action/	Henein Hutchison Robitaille LLP Email: idclassaction@hhllp.ca Toll-Free Telephone: 1-855-525-3403 Website: https://hhllp.ca/class-actions/
Champ & Associates Email: lockdownclass@champlaw.ca Toll-Free Telephone: 1-833-333-6608 Website: www.champlaw.ca/prison-classaction	

Une version française de cet avis est disponible sur le site web ontjailstafflockdowns.ca ou par courriel (info@ontjailstafflockdowns.ca).

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