

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

In re Flint Water Cases.

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This Notice Relates To:

**Judith E. Levy
United States District Judge**

ALL CASES

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**NOTICE FROM THE SPECIAL MASTER REGARDING
PAYMENT DISTRIBUTION FOR ELIGIBLE CLAIMANTS IN THE FLINT WATER
SETTLEMENT AND WARNING ABOUT UNAUTHORIZED REQUESTS AND SCAMS**

I have received reports of unauthorized attempts to contact Claimants in the Flint Water Settlement. These communications requested Claimants' banking information in anticipation of the distribution of settlement payments. Any communication requesting banking information at this time *is not authorized* and might be an illegal attempt to obtain access to your information.

Before the distribution of settlement payments, Claimants will be able to access a payment portal to select their method of payment. Claimants whose claims have been approved will receive a package of information that includes the amount of payment and the process for obtaining access to the payment portal so that they can select the payment method. The payment portal can only be accessed with secure log-in information that includes an authentication process. Lawyers will be able to assist Claimants in this process. In general, this payment process is intended to provide for digital payments – direct deposits or payments into accounts like Venmo or PayPal. Payments to minors will be made to a Trust or to a structured settlement provider. There will be an option for payment by check for those Claimants who cannot receive digital payments.

When the Claimant elects the form of payment, the funds will be disbursed directly. Claimants will be able to contact the Special Master's office and/or the Payment Administrator

with any questions. The Special Master will post information on the settlement and court websites and notify local publications when these notices are distributed. If any Claimant has any questions or concerns, they should contact the Special Master's office at the address and phone number listed below.

No payment letters have been sent out yet. If you receive any communication asking about banking information for payment, that is NOT an authorized communication. Please do not respond to any such request and please notify the Special Master's office if you receive a request. Also, please note that the settlement terms prohibit payments to any entity that seeks to purchase a Claimant's rights in a settlement recovery.

Dated: April 11, 2025

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