

LEGAL NOTICE

Are You an Indigenous Person Who Was Assaulted at Any Time While Being Held in Custody or Detention by the RCMP Anywhere in Canada Except for the Northwest Territories, Nunavut or Yukon (the “Territories”)

**A class action may affect your rights.
Please read this notice carefully.**

The Federal Court has certified a class action lawsuit against the Attorney General of Canada on behalf of Aboriginal Persons (First Nations, Inuit, or Métis) who allege they were assaulted at any time while being held in custody or detained by RCMP outside of the Territories and were alive as of July 20, 2018 (the “Class” or “Class Members”). The claim alleges systemic negligence and breaches of sections 7 and 15 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

If you are a Class Member, you can choose to stay in or leave the Class.

Option 1 – Stay in the class action: To stay in the class action, you do not have to do anything. All Class Members are automatically included in the proceeding and bound by the result unless you opt out. If money or benefits are obtained, you will be told about how to make a claim. You will be legally bound by all orders and judgments in the class action, whether favourable or not, and you will not be able to sue Canada separately about the legal claims in this case.

Option 2 – Get out of the class action: If you want to leave the class action, you must submit an opt out form by **March 25, 2026**. Opt out forms are available on class counsel’s websites listed below. You can also opt out by emailing or sending a letter by mail to Cooper Regel LLP at the address below and telling them that you want to be removed from this class action. Please include your name, address, telephone number, and/or email address and, if sent by regular mail, have it postmarked by **March 25, 2026**. **If you remove yourself, you cannot get money or benefits from this lawsuit if any are awarded.**

The Court has appointed Murphy Battista LLP and Cooper Regel LLP (“Class Counsel”) to represent the Class. You don’t have to pay legal fees to participate.

If the case succeeds, whether by trial or settlement, counsel will seek to be paid legal fees plus disbursements and applicable taxes. The Federal Court must approve Class Counsel’s fees and/or any settlement of the class proceeding.

This lawsuit is brought on behalf of the Class by the representative plaintiffs, Shirley Meguinis-Martin and Edie Joseph, who have addresses in this action c/o Murphy Battista LLP, 2020 – 650 W Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC, V6B 4N7.

For more information about your rights and/or to opt out please contact Cooper Regel LLP:

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