

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO. CACE25016523 DIVISION: 05 JUDGE: Bidwill, Martin J (05)

Kandice Williams, et al

Plaintiff(s) / Petitioner(s)

v.

Apex Global Solutions LLC

Defendant(s) / Respondent(s)

**FINAL APPROVAL ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR
FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND APPLICATION FOR
ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND SERVICE AWARDS**

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs submitted to the Court their Unopposed Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement and Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards;

WHEREAS, on December 31, 2025, the Court entered its Preliminary Approval Order, which, *inter alia*: (1) preliminarily approved the Settlement; (2) determined that, for purposes of the Settlement only, the Action should proceed as a class action and certified the Settlement Class; (3) appointed Plaintiffs as Class Representatives; (4) appointed Jeff Ostrow and Mariya Weekes as Class Counsel; (5) approved the form and manner of Notice and the Notice Program; (6) approved the Claim Process and Claim Form; and (7) set the Final Approval Hearing date;

WHEREAS, thereafter, Notice was provided to the Settlement Class in accordance with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order by Email Notice and Publication Notice and the Long Form Notice was made available to Settlement Class Members on the Settlement Website or on request to the Settlement Administrator;

WHEREAS, there was only one objection to the Settlement and only five Settlement Class Members opted-out of the Settlement;

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2026, the Court held a Final Approval Hearing to determine whether

the Settlement was fair, reasonable, and adequate, and to consider settlement Class Counsel's Application for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards;

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, having considered the papers filed and proceedings held in connection with the Settlement, having considered all of the other files, records, and proceedings in the Action, and being otherwise fully advised,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. This Final Approval Order incorporates the definitions in Section II of the Settlement Agreement.

2. The Notice provided to the Settlement Class in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order was the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constituted due and sufficient notice of the proceedings and matters set forth therein to all persons entitled to notice. The Notice and Notice Program fully satisfied the requirements of due process, Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.220 and all other applicable law and rules. The Claims Process was fair, and the Claim Form was easy to read and understand.

3. The terms of the Settlement are fair, adequate, and reasonable. In so finding, the Court has considered several factors, including: (1) the complexity and duration of the litigation; (2) the reaction of the Class to the settlement; (3) the stage of the proceedings; (4) the risk of establishing liability; (5) the risk of establishing damages; (6) the risk of maintaining a class action; (7) the ability of the defendant to withstand a greater judgment; (8) the reasonableness of the settlement in light of the best recovery; and (9) the range of reasonableness of the settlement in light of all the attendant risks of litigation.

4. Based on the information presented to the Court, the Claims Process has proceeded as ordered and consistent with the Agreement and Preliminary Approval Order. All Settlement Class Members who submitted Valid Claims shall receive their Settlement Class Member Benefits pursuant to the Settlement's terms. All Settlement Class Members who did not submit a Claim, or for whom the Claim is determined to be invalid, shall still be bound by the terms of the Settlement and Releases therein.

5. The distribution plan for Settlement Class Member Benefits proposed by the Parties in the Agreement is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

6. The Class Representatives and Class Counsel have fairly and adequately represented and will continue to adequately represent and protect the interests of Settlement Class Members in connection with the Settlement.

7. Because the Court grants Final Approval of the Settlement set forth in the Agreement as fair, reasonable, and adequate, the Court authorizes and directs implementation of all terms and provisions of the Settlement.

8. All Parties to this Action, including all Settlement Class Members who have not opted-out of the Settlement, are bound by the Settlement as set forth in the Agreement and this Order.

9. Settlement Class members June Corridor, Rose Smith, Charles Pearlman, on Behalf of the Estate of Guy Wooton, Connie Wisk, and Claude Buehler, have opted-out of the Settlement and therefore are not bound by the Settlement Agreement, the Releases contained therein, or this Final Approval Order.

10. The appointment of Plaintiffs as the Class Representatives is affirmed.

11. The appointment of Class Counsel is affirmed.

12. The appointment of the Settlement Administrator is affirmed.

13. The Court affirms its findings that the Settlement Class meets the relevant requirements of Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.220(a) and (b)(2) and (3) for only the purposes of the Settlement in that: (1) the number of members of the Settlement Class is so numerous that joinder is impracticable; (2) there are questions of law and fact common to the members of the Settlement Class; (3) the claims of the Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the members of the Settlement Class; (4) the Plaintiffs are adequate representatives for the Settlement Class, and has retained experienced and adequate Class Counsel; (5) the questions of law and fact common to the members of the Settlement Class predominate over any questions affecting any individual members of the Settlement Class; and (6) a class action is superior to the other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy.

14. In finding the Settlement fair, reasonable, and adequate, the Court has also considered the lone objection to the Settlement, and that there were only five opt-outs, indicating an overwhelming positive reaction from the Settlement Class, and the opinion of competent counsel concerning such matters. The Court overrules the objection submitted by Settlement Class Member My'a Anderson. Despite Ms. Anderson's failure to file the objection with the Clerk of Courts, the Court was provided a copy of the objection at the Final Approval Hearing and had the opportunity to read and consider the contents thereof. The objection fails to satisfy all of the procedural requirements required by the Court, as set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order, and substantively the Court finds that the objection is not valid and is not persuaded from its finding that the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate. *See Amchem Prods. v. Windsor*, 521 U.S. 591, 617 (1997); *Saccoccio v. JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.*, 297 F.R.D. 683, 700 (S.D. Fla. 2014).

15. Therefore, the Court finally certifies the following Settlement Class:

All living individuals residing in the United States who were sent notice that their Private Information may have been impacted in the Data Incident.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are (a) all persons who are directors, officers, and agents of Defendant; (b) governmental entities; (c) the Judge assigned to the Action, that Judge's immediate family, and Court staff; and (d) any Settlement Class Member who timely and validly opts-out of the Settlement.

16. Judgment shall be, and hereby is, entered dismissing the Action with prejudice, on the merits.

17. As of the Effective Date, and in exchange for the relief described in the Agreement, the Releasing Parties shall release the Released Parties from the Released Claims.

18. Class Counsel is awarded \$600,000.00 for attorneys' fees and costs. These payments shall be paid by Defendants in accordance with the Agreement. The Court evaluated Settlement Class Counsel's request and concludes that amount is fair and within the range of reason.

19. The Class Representatives shall each be awarded Service Awards in the amount of \$2,500.00. The Service Awards shall be paid by Defendants in accordance with the Agreement.

20. Plaintiffs and all Settlement Class Members and Releasing Parties, and persons purporting to act on their behalf, are permanently enjoined from commencing or prosecuting (either directly, representatively, or in any other capacity) any of the Released Claims against any of the Released Parties in any action or proceeding in any court, arbitration forum, or tribunal.

21. The Court hereby retains and reserves jurisdiction over: (1) implementation of this Settlement and any distributions to the Settlement Class Members; (2) the Action, until the Effective Date, and until each and every act agreed to be performed by the Parties shall have been performed pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, including the exhibits appended thereto; and (3) all Parties, for the purpose of enforcing and administering the Settlement.

22. In the event the Effective Date of the Settlement does not occur, the Settlement shall be rendered null and void to the extent provided by and in accordance with the Agreement, and this Final Approval Order and any other order entered by this Court in accordance with the terms of the Agreement shall be vacated, *nunc pro tunc*. In such event, all orders entered and releases delivered in connection with the Settlement shall be null and void and have no further force and effect, shall not be used or referred to for any purpose whatsoever, and shall not be admissible or discoverable in any proceeding. The Action shall return to its status immediately prior to execution of the Agreement.

23. All Settlement Class Members shall be bound by this Final Approval Order.

24. There being no just reason for delay, the Clerk of Court is hereby directed to close this action.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Broward County, Florida on 1st day of May, 2026.

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CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
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