New $203M Chicken Price Fixing Settlement Moves Toward Approval

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In March 2025, a new settlement was reached in a class action suit against several chicken processors accused of conspiring to reduce supply and raise the price of chicken. This most recent settlement is scheduled for a fairness hearing on June 30, 2025, and if approved by the court, would bring the total combined settlement amount in this class action to over $203 million. Individuals and entities who believe that they are members of this class and, therefore, entitled to a portion of the settlement fund, must file a claim before **July 31, 2025**.

The class action lawsuit alleged that certain chicken processors were illegally conspiring to limit supply and raise chicken prices for consumers. The consumer plaintiffs allege that they were overcharged for fresh and frozen chicken as a result of this conspiracy. *In Re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litigation*, ND Ill., No. 1:16-cv-08637 TMD.

Class members include individuals and entities who purchased select chicken products from one or more of the businesses named as defendants between January 1, 2012, and July 31, 2019. Eligible chicken products are whole birds (with or without giblets), whole cut-up birds, breasts, and wings or cuts containing a combination of these.

Supporting documentation is not required for a class member to file a claim. However, proof of purchase and other supporting documentation may be requested as claims are being reviewed. Only new applicants who have not filed for any previous settlements in this case need file a claim. Claimants who previously filed do not need to refile to remain eligible for this portion of the settlement.

If the settlement is approved, class members will receive notice with details about their potential recovery and how to participate. Before deciding whether to file a claim, class members should consider the potential recovery from the settlement fund versus what they might recover by opting out and pursing separate action. The timeline for finalizing approval of the settlement is not fully defined but is expected to take several months. Individuals and entities who may be affected should monitor the case for updates and consult with counsel to understand their rights and options under the proposed settlement.

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