

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

Stephanie Fisher, et al. v. Byte Federal, Inc.
Case No. CACE25002678
17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida

IF BYTE FEDERAL NOTIFIED YOU THAT YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WAS IMPACTED IN A NOVEMBER 18, 2024 DATA INCIDENT, A PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS, AND ENTITLE YOU TO A CASH PAYMENT.

*A court has authorized this notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.
You are not being sued.*

Please read this Notice carefully and completely.

- A Settlement has been reached with Byte Federal, Inc. (“Byte” or “Defendant”) in a class action lawsuit. This class action lawsuit concerned the targeted cyberattack on Byte's computer systems that occurred on or about November 18, 2024 (the “Data Incident”). Certain files that contained private information were accessed. These files may have contained personal information such as names, dates of birth, addresses, phone numbers, Social Security numbers, government-issued identification documents, transaction information, and photographs.
- The lawsuit is captioned *Stephanie Fisher, et al. v. Byte Federal, Inc.*, Case No. CACE25002678, pending in the 17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida (the “Action”).
- Byte denies that it did anything wrong, and the Court has not decided who is right.
- The parties have agreed to settle the lawsuit (the “Settlement”) to avoid the costs and risks, disruptions, and uncertainties of continuing the litigation.
- Byte's records indicate that you are a Class Member, and entitled to benefits under the Settlement. You may have received a previous notice directly from Byte.
- Your rights are affected whether you act or don't act. ***Please read this Notice carefully and completely.***

SUMMARY OF YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THIS SETTLEMENT		DEADLINE
SUBMIT A CLAIM	<p>The only way to receive benefits from this Settlement is by submitting a valid and timely Claim Form.</p> <p>The fastest way to submit your Claim Form is online at www.ByteDataIncident.com. If you prefer, you can download the Claim Form from the Settlement Website and mail it to the Settlement Administrator. You may also call or email the Settlement Administrator to receive a paper copy of the Claim Form.</p>	August 19, 2025
OPT OUT OF THE SETTLEMENT	You can choose to opt out of the Settlement and receive no payment. This option allows you to sue, continue to sue, or be part of another lawsuit against the Defendant related to the legal claims resolved by this Settlement. You can hire your own lawyer at your own expense.	August 4, 2025
OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT AND/OR ATTEND A HEARING	If you do not opt out of the Settlement, you may object to it by writing to the Court about why you don't like the Settlement. You may also ask the Court for permission to speak about your objection at the Final Approval Hearing. If you object, you may also file a claim for Settlement benefits.	August 4, 2025
DO NOTHING	Unless you opt out of the Settlement, you are automatically part of the Settlement. If you do nothing, you will not receive benefits from this Settlement and you will give up the right to sue, continue to sue, or be part of another lawsuit against the Defendant related to the legal claims resolved by this Settlement.	No Deadline

- These rights and options—and the deadlines to exercise them—are explained in this Notice.
- The Court in charge of this case still has to decide whether to approve the Settlement.

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Basic Information

1. Why was this Notice issued?

The 17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida, authorized this Notice. You have a right to know about the proposed Settlement of this class action lawsuit, and about all of your options, before the Court decides whether to grant final approval of the Settlement. This Notice explains the lawsuit, your legal rights, what benefits are available, and who can receive them.

The lawsuit is captioned *Stephanie Fisher, et al. v. Byte Federal, Inc.*, Case No. CACE25002678, pending in the 17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida. The people that filed this lawsuit are called the "Plaintiffs" (or "Class Representatives") and the entity they sued, Byte Federal, Inc., is called the "Defendant."

2. What is this lawsuit about?

This lawsuit alleges that during the November 18, 2024, targeted cyberattack on Byte's computer systems, certain files that contained private information were accessed. These files may have contained personal information such as names, dates of birth, addresses, phone numbers, Social Security numbers, government-issued identification documents, transaction information, and photographs.

3. What is a class action?

In a class action, one or more individuals sue on behalf of other people with similar claims. These individuals are called the "Plaintiffs" or "Class Representatives." Together, the people included in the class action are called a "Class" or "Class Members." One court resolves the lawsuit for all Class Members, except for those who opt out from the settlement. In this Settlement, the Class Representatives are Stephanie Fischer, Olive Muriithi, Nelson Morris, and Jamie Ann Dawson. Everyone included in this Action are the Class Members.

4. Why is there a Settlement?

The Court did not decide whether the Plaintiffs or the Defendant are right. Both sides have agreed to a Settlement to avoid the costs and risks of a trial, and to allow the Class Members to receive benefits from the

Settlement. Plaintiffs and their attorneys think the Settlement is best for all Class Members.

Who is in the Settlement?

5. Who is included in the Settlement?

The court has defined the Class this way: “all living individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was impacted by the Data Incident.”

6. Are there exceptions to being included?

Yes. Excluded from the Class are: (a) all persons who are employees, directors, officers, and agents of Defendant, or its respective subsidiaries and affiliated companies; (b) governmental entities; and (c) the Judge(s) assigned to the Action and their immediate family, and Court staff.

If you are not sure whether you are a Class Member, you can ask for free help any time by contacting the Settlement Administrator at:

- Email: info@ByteDataIncident.com
- Call toll free, 24/7: 1-833-296-0996
- By mail: Byte Data Incident Settlement, c/o Settlement Administrator, PO Box 26170, Santa Ana, CA 92799.

You may also view the Settlement Agreement at www.ByteDataIncident.com.

The Settlement Benefits

7. What does the Settlement provide?

Byte will pay for three benefits. You are not limited to one benefit. You may file a claim for each benefit that you qualify for.

BENEFITS

Credit Monitoring Services. All Class Members are eligible to receive 2 years of Credit Monitoring Services from a credit bureau. This benefit is valued at approximately \$90.00 per year, and includes the following features:

- (1) real time monitoring of the credit file at one bureau;
- (2) dark web scanning with immediate notification of potential unauthorized use;
- (3) comprehensive public record monitoring;
- (4) identity theft insurance (no deductible) up to \$1,000,000.00; and
- (5) access to fraud resolution agents to help investigate and resolve instances of identity theft.

Cash Payment A – Attested Time Spent. Class Members who spent time responding to the Data Incident may claim up to 4 hours, at \$20.00 per hour. You must have spent the time on tasks related to the Data Incident. Some examples include changing your passwords, investigating suspicious activity in your accounts, contacting banks or businesses about suspicious activity, and researching the Data Incident.

You must provide a brief description and attest that you spent the time claimed on tasks related to the Data Incident.

Cash Payment B – Documented Losses. If you incurred actual, documented out-of-pocket losses due to the Data Incident, you may file a claim for reimbursement. The maximum amount of this reimbursement is \$3,000.00.

This benefit covers out-of-pocket expenses like:

- (1) unreimbursed losses relating to fraud or identity theft;
- (2) professional fees including attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, and fees for credit repair services;
- (3) costs associated with freezing or unfreezing credit with any credit reporting agency;
- (4) credit monitoring costs that were incurred on or after mailing of the notice of the cybersecurity incident, through the date of claim submission;
- (5) and miscellaneous expenses such as notary, fax, postage, copying, mileage, and long-distance telephone charges;

You must submit documentation, such as receipts, to verify the costs you incurred. You may submit "self-prepared" documents to clarify or support other submitted documentation, but self-prepared documents by themselves are not sufficient to file a valid claim.

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8. What claims am I releasing if I stay in the Class?

Unless you opt out of the Settlement, you won't be able to sue, continue to sue, or be part of any other lawsuit against the Defendant about any of the legal claims this Settlement resolves. The "Release" section of the Settlement Agreement (Section XIII) describes the legal claims that you give up if you remain in the Class. The Settlement Agreement is available at www.ByteDataIncident.com.

Submitting a Claim Form for a Settlement Payment

9. How do I submit a claim for a Settlement benefit?

The fastest way to submit your Claim Form is online at www.ByteDataIncident.com. If you prefer, you can download the Claim Form from the website and mail it to the Settlement Administrator at:

Byte Data Incident Settlement
c/o Settlement Administrator
PO Box 26170
Santa Ana, CA 95799.

You may also contact the Settlement Administrator to request a Claim Form by telephone, toll free,

1-833-296-0996, by email info@ByteDataIncident.com, or by U.S. mail at the address above.

10. Are there any important Settlement payment deadlines?

If you are submitting a Claim Form online, you must do so by August 19, 2025. If you are submitting a claim by U.S. mail, the completed and signed Claim Form, including supporting documentation, must be postmarked no later than August 19, 2025.

11. When will the Settlement benefits be issued?

The Court will hold a Final Approval Hearing on September 3, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. (**see Question 18**). If the Court approves the Settlement, there may be appeals. We do not know if appeals will be filed, or how long it will take to resolve them if they are filed.

Settlement payments will be distributed if the Court grants final approval, and after any appeals are resolved.

The Lawyers Representing You

12. Do I have a lawyer in the case?

Yes, the Court appointed attorneys Jeff Ostrow of Kopelowitz Ostrow P.A.; Mariya Weeks of Milberg Coleman Bryson Phillips Grossman PLLC; Andrew Shamis of Shamis & Gentile, P.A., and A. Brooke Murphy of the Murphy Law Firm, to represent you and other Class Members ("Class Counsel").

13. Should I get my own lawyer?

You will not be charged for Class Counsel's services. If you want your own lawyer, you may hire one at your expense.

14. How will Class Counsel be paid?

Class Counsel will ask the court to approve reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of up to \$150,000.00, which will be paid by Byte.

Class Counsel will also ask for Service Awards of \$2,500.00 for each of the Class Representatives. Service Awards will be paid from the Settlement Fund.

Excluding Yourself from the Settlement

15. How do I opt out of the Settlement?

If you do not want to be part of the Settlement, you must formally exclude yourself from the Settlement. This is called a Request for Exclusion, and is sometimes also called "opting out." If you opt out, you will not receive a Settlement payment, but you will keep any rights you may have to sue Byte on your own about the legal issues in this case.

If you exclude yourself, you are telling the Court that you do not want to be part of the Settlement. You will not be eligible to receive any Settlement benefits if you exclude yourself.

The deadline to exclude yourself from the Settlement is **August 4, 2025**.

To be valid, your Request for Exclusion must have the following information:

- (1) the name of the Action: *Stephanie Fisher, et al. v. Byte Federal, Inc.*, Case No. CACE25002678, pending in the 17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida;
- (2) your full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address (if any);
- (3) personal signature; and
- (4) the words “Request for Exclusion” or a clear and similar statement that you do not want to participate in the Settlement.

You may only exclude yourself—not any other person.

Mail your Request for Exclusion to the Settlement Administrator at:

Byte Data Incident Settlement
ATTN: Exclusion Request
PO Box 26170
Santa Ana, CA 92799

Your Request for Exclusion must be submitted, postmarked, or emailed by **August 4, 2025**.

Commenting on or Objecting to the Settlement

16. How do I tell the Court if I like or do not like the Settlement?

If you are a Class Member and do not like part or all of the Settlement, you can object to it. Objecting means telling the Court your reasons for why you think the Court should not approve the Settlement. The Court will consider your views.

You cannot object if you have excluded yourself from the Settlement (**see Question 15**)

You must provide the following information for the Court to consider your objection:

- (1) the name of the Action: *Stephanie Fisher, et al. v. Byte Federal, Inc.*, Case No. CACE25002678, pending in the 17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida;
- (2) your full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address (if any);
- (3) a clear description of all the reasons you object; include any legal support you may have for your objection;
- (4) how many times you have objected to a class action settlement in the last 5 years, the caption of each case, and copies of any orders or rulings related to your objections that were issued by the court;
- (5) if you have hired your own lawyer to represent you at the Final Approval Hearing, provide their name and contact information;
- (6) how many times your lawyer has objected to a class action settlement in the last 5 years, the caption of each case, and copies of any orders or rulings related to their objections that were issued by the court;

- (7) if you plan on calling witnesses or submitting documents at the Final Approval Hearing, provide a full list of both;
- (8) clearly state whether you intend to personally appear at the Final Approval Hearing; and
- (9) your signature (or, if you have hired your own lawyer, your lawyer's signature is *not* sufficient).

For your objection to be valid, it must meet each of these requirements.

To be considered by the Court, you must file your complete objection with the Clerk of Court by **August 4, 2025**. You must also send copies of the objection to Class Counsel and both counsel for Defendant.

Clerk of the Court	Class Counsel	Counsel for Defendant
Clerk of the Court Central Courthouse Judicial Complex, West Building 201 S.E. 6 th Street Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301	Jeff Ostrow Kopelowitz Ostrow P.A. 1 West Las Olas Blvd Suite 500 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 Mariya Weeks Milberg Coleman Bryson Phillips Grossman, PLLC 201 Sevilla Avenue, 2nd Floor Coral Gables, FL 33134 Andrew Shamis Shamis & Gentile, P.A. 14 NE 1st Ave Ste 705 Miami, FL 33132 A. Brooke Murphy The Murphy Law Firm 4116 Will Rogers Pkwy Suite 700 Oklahoma City, OK 731018	Alfred John Saikali Jennifer A. McLoone Shook, Hardy & Bacon, LLP 201 S Biscayne Blvd. Suite 3200 Miami, FL 33131-4332

17. What is the difference between objecting and excluding?

Objecting is telling the Court that you do not like something about the Settlement. You can object to the Settlement only if you do not exclude yourself from the Settlement. Excluding yourself from the Settlement is opting out and stating to the Court that you do not want to be part of the Settlement. If you opt out of the Settlement, you cannot object to it because the Settlement no longer affects you.

The Court's Final Approval Hearing

18. When is the Court's Final Approval Hearing?

The Court will hold a Final Approval Hearing on **September 3, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time**, in Room 16155 of the 17th Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida, at the Broward County Courthouse, 201 SE 6th Street,

Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

At the Final Approval Hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the Settlement. The court will also decide how Class Counsel should be paid, and whether to award Service Awards to the Class Representatives who brought this Action on behalf of the Class. The Court will also consider any objections to the Settlement.

If you are a Class Member, you or your lawyer may ask permission to speak at the hearing at your own cost (**See Question 16**).

The date and time of this hearing may change without further notice. Please check www.ByteDataIncident.com for updates.

19. Do I have to come to the Final Approval Hearing?

No. Class Counsel will answer any questions the Court may have. You may attend at your own expense if you wish, but you do not have to.

If you file an objection, you do not have to come to the Final Approval Hearing to talk about it; the Court will consider it as long as it was filed on time. You may also pay your own lawyer to attend, but you do not have to.

If I Do Nothing

20. What happens if I do nothing at all?

if you do nothing, you will not receive a benefit from this Settlement.

You will also give up the rights described in **Question 8**.

Getting More Information

21. How do I get more information?

This Notice is a summary of the proposed Settlement. The full Settlement Agreement and other related documents are available at the Settlement Website, www.ByteDataIncident.com.

If you have additional questions, you can ask for free help any time by contacting the Settlement Administrator at:

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You can obtain copies of publicly filed documents by visiting the office of the Clerk of the Court, Central Courthouse, Judicial Complex, West Building, 201 S.E. 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT OR CLERK OF COURT REGARDING THIS SETTLEMENT