

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

*In Re: Belle Tire Distributors, Inc. Data Breach Litigation*

Case No. 2:24-cv-12966

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

**IF YOUR PRIVATE INFORMATION WAS COMPROMISED IN THE JUNE 2024 BELLE TIRE DISTRIBUTORS, INC. DATA SECURITY 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 Belle Tire Distributors, Inc. (“Belle Tire” or “Defendant”) in a class action lawsuit. This case is about the targeted cyberattack on Belle Tire’s computer systems that occurred in June 2024 (the “Data Security Incident”). Certain files that contained private information were accessed. These files may have contained personal information such as names; address; date of birth; social security numbers; or driver’s License numbers.
- The lawsuit is called *In Re: Belle Tire Distributors, Inc. Data Breach Litigation*, Case No. 2:24-cv-12966. It is pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (the “Litigation”).
- Belle Tire 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.
- Belle Tire’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 Belle Tire.
- 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
<b>SUBMIT A CLAIM</b>	<p>The only way to receive payment 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 <a href="https://BelleTireDataIncident.com">https://BelleTireDataIncident.com</a>. 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>	<b>July 27, 2026</b>
<b>OPT OUT OF THE SETTLEMENT</b>	You can choose to opt out of the Settlement and receive no benefit or payment. This option allows you to sue, continue to sue, or be part of another lawsuit against Defendant related to the legal claims resolved by this Settlement. You can hire your own lawyer at your own expense.	<b>July 27, 2026</b>
<b>OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT AND/OR ATTEND A HEARING</b>	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.	<b>July 27, 2026</b>
<b>DO NOTHING</b>	Unless you opt out of the Settlement, you are automatically part of the Settlement. If you do nothing, you will not receive benefits or payments 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 United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan 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 called *In Re: Belle Tire Distributors, Inc. Data Breach Litigation*, Case No. 2:24-cv-12966. It is pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. The people that filed this lawsuit are called the “Plaintiffs” (or “Class Representatives”) and the company they sued, Belle Tire Distributors, Inc., is called the “Defendant.”

### 2. What is this lawsuit about?

This lawsuit alleges that during the cyberattack on Belle Tire’s computer systems discovered by Defendant on or before June 11, 2024, certain files that contained private information were accessed. These files may have contained personal information such as names; address; date of birth; social security numbers; and/or driver’s License numbers.

### 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 Tabbitha Berry; Hamza Yaser Algharably; Zachary Loafman; Anthony Georges; and Zach Travis. 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. The 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 individuals whose Private Information was exposed to unauthorized third parties as a result of the Data Security Incident discovered by Defendant on or before June 11, 2024.”

### 6. Are there exceptions to being included?

Yes. The Judge in this case, and the Judge’s staff, are excluded from the Class.

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@BelleTireDataIncident.com](mailto:info@BelleTireDataIncident.com)
- Call toll free, 24/7: (833) 386-6582
- By mail:

Belle Tire Data Breach Settlement  
c/o Settlement Administrator  
P.O. Box 25226  
Santa Ana, CA 92799

You may also view the Settlement Agreement at <https://BelleTireDataIncident.com>.

## The Settlement Benefits

### 7. What does the Settlement provide?

Belle Tire will pay Documented Losses, court-approved attorneys’ fees and costs, Service Award payments for the Plaintiffs, and the costs of administering the Settlement. Belle Tire will also establish an Alternative Pro Rata Settlement Fund of \$75,000.00. The Alternative Pro Rata Settlement Fund will be used to pay Alternative Pro Rata Cash Compensation.

#### **CASH PAYMENT OPTIONS**

**Documented Losses.** If you incurred actual, documented out-of-pocket losses due to the Data Breach, you can get back 150% of what you spent, up to **\$1,000.00**. The losses must have occurred between June 11, 2024, and July 27, 2026.

This benefit covers out-of-pocket expenses like:

- losses because of identity theft or fraud
- fees for credit reports, credit monitoring, or freezing and unfreezing your credit
- cost to replace your IDs
- postage to contact banks by mail

You need to send proof, like bank statements or receipts, to show how much you spent or lost. You can also send notes or papers you made yourself to explain or support other proof, but those notes or papers alone are not enough to make a valid claim. Your proof or notes should show that your expenses were because of the Data Incident.

You cannot claim a payment for expenses that have already been reimbursed by a third party.

-or-

**Alternative Pro Rata Cash Compensation.** In the alternative to submitting a claim for Documented Losses, Class Members may file a claim for an equal share of the Pro Rata Settlement Fund. The amount of the payment will be calculated by dividing \$75,000.00 by the number of valid and timely Alternative Pro Rata Cash Compensation claims.

You do not have to provide any proof or explanation to claim this payment.

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

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

If you stay in the class, you won't be able to be part of any other lawsuit against Belle Tire about the issues that this Settlement covers. The "Releases" section of the Settlement Agreement (Section XIV) describes the legal claims that you give up if you remain in the Class. The Settlement Agreement is available at <https://BelleTireDataIncident.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 <https://BelleTireDataIncident.com>. If you prefer, you can download a printable Claim Form from the website and mail it to the Settlement Administrator at:

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You may also contact the Settlement Administrator to request a Claim Form by telephone, toll free, (833) 386-6582, by email [info@BelleTireDataIncident.com](mailto:info@BelleTireDataIncident.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 **July 27, 2026**. 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 **July 27, 2026**.

## 11. When will the Settlement benefits be issued?

The Court will hold a final approval hearing on September 2, 2026, (**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 has appointed E. Powell Miller of The Miller Law Firm, P.C., Casandra R. Turner of Milberg, PLLC and Scott Edward Cole of Cole & Van Note, 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 \$300,000.00 as reasonable attorney’s fees and costs of litigation. This amount will be paid by Belle Tire.

Class Counsel will also ask for Service Award payments of \$1,250.00 for each of the Class Representatives. Service Award payments will also be paid by Belle Tire.

## 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 Settlement benefits or payment. However, you will keep any rights you may have to sue Belle Tire 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 **July 27, 2026**.

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

- (1) the name of the Litigation: *In Re: Belle Tire Distributors, Inc. Data Breach Litigation*, Case No. 2:24-cv-12966, pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan;

- (2) your full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address;
- (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:

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c/o Settlement Administrator  
P.O. Box 25226  
Santa Ana, CA 92799

Your Request for Exclusion must be submitted, postmarked, or emailed by **July 27, 2026**.

## **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 Litigation: *In Re: Belle Tire Distributors, Inc. Data Breach Litigation*, Case No. 2:24-cv-12966, pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan;
- (2) your full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address;
- (3) your signature (if you have hired your own lawyer, their signature is not sufficient);
- (4) information that proves that you are a Class Member (such as a notice you have received);
- (5) a clear description of all the reasons you object; include any legal support, such as documents, you may have for your objection;
- (6) if you have hired your own lawyer to represent you for this objection, provide their name, bar number, and contact information; and
- (7) if you or your lawyer have objected in any other cases in the past three years, list the names, courts, and civil action numbers for each of those cases;

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 July 27, 2026. You must also send a copy of the objection to the Settlement Administrator, Class Counsel, and counsel for Defendants.

<b>Clerk of the Court</b>	<b>Settlement Administrator</b>
Clerk of the Court Theodore Levin U.S. Courthouse 231 W. Lafayette Blvd. Detroit, MI 48226	Belle Tire Data Breach Settlement c/o Settlement Administrator P.O. Box 25226 Santa Ana, CA 92799
<b>Class Counsel</b>	<b>Counsel for Defendants</b>
E. Powell Miller Gregory A. Mitchell <b>THE MILLER LAW FIRM, P.C.</b> 950 W. University Dr., Ste. 300 Rochester, MI 48307  Casondra Turner <b>MILBERG, PLLC</b> 260 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 2200 Atlanta, GA 30303  Scott Edward Cole <b>Cole &amp; Van Note</b> 555 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2100 Oakland, CA 94607	<b>Honigman LLP</b> 660 Woodward Avenue, Suite 2290 Detroit, MI 48226

## 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 on **September 2, 2026, at 10:00a.m., Eastern Time**, in Room [Court Room] of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, at [Court Address].

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 Award payments to the Class Representatives. 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 <https://BelleTireDataIncident.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, <https://BelleTireDataIncident.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,

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