

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

This Settlement Agreement and Release (“Settlement Agreement” or “Agreement”) is entered into by and between John Glover (“Plaintiff”), individually and on behalf of the Participating Settlement Class Members (as defined in Paragraph 23), and Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center (“Nova” or “Defendant”) (collectively the “Parties”), in the action *Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center* (Case No. 25-2312-DCE) filed on or about August 12, 2025, in the District Court for Hays County, Texas, 453rd Judicial District (the “Action”). The Settlement Agreement is intended by the Parties to fully, finally, and forever resolve, discharge, and settle the Action and the Released Claims (as defined in Paragraph 26), upon and subject to the terms and conditions below.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2025, Plaintiff Glover filed a Complaint against Defendant in the District Court for Hays County, Texas, 453rd Judicial District related to a cybersecurity incident that began on or around May 22, 2025 (the “Data Incident”) affecting Defendant;

WHEREAS, shortly after the Action was filed, the Parties agreed to engage in informal discovery, exchanging information necessary to evaluate their respective settlement positions;

WHEREAS, after weeks of arms'-length negotiations between experienced counsel, the Parties reached agreement on the material terms of this Agreement;

WHEREAS, Defendant denies the allegations and causes of action pled in the Action and otherwise denies any liability to Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members in any way;

WHEREAS, this Agreement is for settlement purposes only, and nothing in this Agreement shall constitute, be construed as, or be admissible in evidence as any admission of the validity of any claim or fact alleged by Plaintiff in this Action or in any other pending or subsequently filed action, or of any wrongdoing, fault, violation of law, or liability of any kind on the part of Released Parties or admission of the validity or lack thereof of any claim, allegation, or defense asserted in this Action or any other action.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for the mutual promises and valuable consideration provided for in this Agreement, the Parties agree to a full, complete, and final settlement and resolution of the Action and any and all Released Claims (including Unknown Claims), subject to Court approval, on the following terms and conditions:

DEFINITIONS

In addition to terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

1. “Approved Claim” means the complete and timely submission of a Claim Form by a Participating Settlement Class Member that has been approved by the Settlement Administrator subject to the Claims Review Process.

2. “Alternative Cash Payment” means the cash payment of \$85.00 that Settlement Members can claim as set forth in Paragraph 41(b).

3. “Defendant’s Counsel” means Beth Petronio and Michael Stortz of K&L Gates LLP.

4. “Claim Form” means the form(s) Participating Settlement Class Members must submit to be eligible for Credit Monitoring Services, Out-of-Pocket Losses, and/or the Alternative Cash Payment claims under the terms of the Settlement, which form is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**, or form(s) approved by the Court substantially similar to **Exhibit C**. Class members shall swear and affirm under the laws of the United States and under penalty of perjury that the information supplied in the claim form and any documents submitted with the claim form are true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge or recollection.

5. “Claims Deadline” means the date by which all Claim Forms must be postmarked (if mailed) or submitted (if filed electronically) to the Settlement Website to be considered timely and shall be set as a date ninety (90) days after the Notice Deadline. The Claims Deadline shall be clearly set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order, as well as in the Notice and the Claim Form.

6. “Claims Period” means the period of time during which Settlement Class Members may submit Claim Forms, which will end ninety (90) days after the Notice Deadline.

7. “Claims Review Process” means the process for reviewing and determining whether claims are valid as set forth in Paragraph 44.

8. “Court” means the District Court for Hays County, Texas, 453rd Judicial District.

9. “Credit Monitoring Services” means the credit monitoring services described in Paragraph 40 provided by CyEx, which includes three (3) years of three-bureau credit monitoring and \$1 million in identity theft protection insurance, among other features.

10. “Data Incident” means the cybersecurity incident affecting Defendant that began on or around May 22, 2025.

11. “Effective Date” means ten business days after all of the following conditions have occurred (i) the Court enters the Preliminary Approval Order substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit D**; (ii) the Court has entered a Final Approval Order and Judgment finally approving this Settlement Agreement; and (iii) either (a) the date upon which the time expires for filing or noticing any reconsideration or appeal of the Final Approval Order and Judgment; or (b) if there is an appeal or appeals or reconsideration sought, the date on which the Final Approval Order and Judgment is affirmed without any material modification and is no longer subject to judicial review; and (iv) the date of final dismissal of any appeal or reconsideration or the final

dismissal of any proceeding on certiorari with respect to the Final Approval Order and Judgment, and the Final Approval Order and Judgment is no longer subject to judicial review. Notwithstanding the above, any order modifying or reversing any attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses or Service Award to a Class Representative shall not affect the "Effective Date" or any other aspect of the Final Approval Order and Judgment.

12. "Fee Award and Costs" means the amount of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Costs and Expenses awarded by the Court to Settlement Class Counsel in satisfaction of any request or claim for payment of attorneys' fees, costs, and litigation expenses in connection with this Action.

13. "Final Approval Hearing" means the hearing to be conducted by the Court to determine the fairness, adequacy, and reasonableness of the Settlement and enter a judgment to be approving the Settlement Agreement, approving the Fee Award and Costs, and approving Service Awards to the Class Representatives

14. "Final Approval Order and Judgment" means an order and judgment substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit E** that the Court enters, which finally approves the Settlement Agreement, certifies the Settlement Class, dismisses the Action with prejudice, and otherwise satisfies the settlement-related provisions of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure and is consistent with all material provisions of this Agreement.

15. "Litigation Costs and Expenses" means costs and expenses incurred by Settlement Class Counsel and their law practices in connection with commencing, prosecuting, and settling the Action.

16. "Notice" means direct notice of the proposed class action Settlement to be provided to Settlement Class Members, that the Parties will ask the Court to approve in connection with the motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, and which is to be provided substantially in the forms attached hereto as **Exhibit A** ("Short Form Notices") and **Exhibit B** ("Long Form Notice").

17. "Notice Deadline" means the last day by which Notice must be issued to the Settlement Class Members and will occur no later than thirty (30) days after entry of the Preliminary Approval Order.

18. "Notice and Administrative Expenses" means all of the expenses incurred in the administration of this Settlement, including, without limitation, all expenses or costs associated with providing Notice to the Settlement Class, locating Settlement Class Members, performing National Change of Address search(es) and/or skip tracing for undeliverable notices, processing claims, determining the eligibility of a person to be a Settlement Class Member, and administering, calculating and distributing payments to Settlement Class Members who submit valid Claim Forms. Notice and Administrative Expenses also includes all reasonable fees and expenses incurred by the Settlement Administrator in administering the terms of this Agreement.

19. “Objection Deadline” is the last day on which a Settlement Class Member may file a written objection to the Settlement or the application for a Fee Award and Costs, which will be sixty (60) days after the Notice Deadline, or other such date as ordered by the Court.

20. “Opt Out” means a Settlement Class Member (i) who timely submits a properly completed and executed Request for Exclusion, (ii) who does not rescind that Request for Exclusion prior to the Opt-Out Deadline, and (iii) as to which there is not a successful challenge to the Request for Exclusion.

21. “Opt-Out Deadline” is the last day on which a Settlement Class Member may postmark a Request for Exclusion, which will be sixty (60) days after the Notice Deadline.

22. “Out-of-Pocket Losses” means unreimbursed, documented expenses and fees actually incurred or spent as a result of the Data Incident between May 22, 2025, and the Claims Deadline, including, without limitations and by way of example losses associated with fraud or identity theft, professional fees including attorneys’ fees, accountants’ fees, and fees for credit repair services; costs associated with freezing or unfreezing credit with any credit reporting agency; credit monitoring costs that were incurred on or after mailing of the notice of data breach, through the date of claim submission; and miscellaneous expenses such as notary, fax, postage, copying, mileage, and long-distance telephone charges. The maximum amount any one Settlement Class Member may recover for Out-of-Pocket losses is \$5,000.00, made under penalty of perjury. Out-of-Pocket Losses must be supported by third-party documentation, as discussed in Paragraph 41(a).

23. “Participating Settlement Class Member” means a Settlement Class Member who does not submit a valid Request for Exclusion prior to the Opt-Out Deadline, as set forth in Paragraph 53.

24. “Personal Information” includes, but is not limited to, first, middle, and last names; addresses; dates of birth; Social Security numbers; and documentation with financial payment information in relation to services provided by Nova. The term “Personal Information” is not intended here, nor should it be viewed as, having any bearing on the meaning of this term or similar term in any statute or other source of law beyond this Agreement, or how the Parties may use the term in other circumstances.

25. “Preliminary Approval Order” means an order directing issuance of Notice to Settlement Class Members, determining that the Court will likely be able to approve the Settlement under the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, and determining that the Court will likely be able to certify the Settlement Class for purposes of resolving this Action. Such order will include the forms and procedure for providing notice to the Settlement Class, including notice of the procedure for Settlement Class Members to object to or opt-out of the Settlement, and set a date for the Final Approval Hearing, substantially in the form annexed hereto as **Exhibit D**.

26. “Released Claims” means any and all claims, liabilities, rights, claims, demands, suits, actions, causes of action, obligations, damages, penalties, costs, attorneys’ fees, losses, and remedies of every kind or description—whether known or unknown (including Unknown Claims),

existing or potential, suspected or unsuspected, asserted or unasserted, liquidated or unliquidated, legal, statutory, or equitable—that result from, relate to, are based upon, or arise out of the Data Incident, the operative facts alleged in the Action, including the complaint and any amendment thereto, Defendant's information security policies and practices, or Defendant's maintenance or storage of Personal Information, and conduct that was alleged or could have been alleged in the Action, regardless of whether such claims arise under federal, state and/or local law, statute, ordinance, regulation, common law, or other source of law.

27. “Released Parties” means Defendant and each and every of its predecessors, successors, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, departments, owners, Trustees, and the present and former directors, trustees, officers, employees, agents, insurers, reinsurers, shareholders, attorneys, advisors, consultants, representatives, partners, joint venturers, independent contractors, wholesalers, resellers, distributors, retailers, vendors and related or affiliated entities of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, as well as any and all of Defendant's predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, advisors, vendors, stockholders, partners, agents, attorneys, representatives, insurers, reinsurers, subrogees and assigns. Each of the Released Parties may be referred to individually as a “Released Party.”

28. “Releasing Parties” and a “Releasing Party” shall refer, jointly and severally, and individually and collectively, to the Settlement Class Representatives and Participating Settlement Class Members, any person claiming or receiving a benefit under this Settlement, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, representatives, agents, partners, predecessors, successors, attorneys, assigns, and any other person purporting to assert a claim on their behalf.

29. “Request for Exclusion” means a writing by or on behalf of a Settlement Class Member in which he or she requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class in the form and manner provided for in the Notice and as described below in Paragraph 53.

30. “Service Award Payment” means compensation awarded by the Court and paid to the Settlement Class Representative in recognition of their role in this Action as set forth in Paragraph 67.

31. “Settlement” means the settlement of the Action by and between the Parties, and the terms thereof as stated in this Settlement Agreement.

32. “Settlement Administrator” means Simpluris, subject to Court approval, an entity jointly selected and supervised by Settlement Class Counsel, Defendant and Defendant's Counsel, to administer the settlement.

33. “Settlement Class” means All individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) Defendant (ii) all Settlement Class Members who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class; (iii) any judges assigned to this case and their staff and family; and (iv) any other person found by a court of competent jurisdiction

to be guilty under criminal law of initiating, causing, aiding or abetting the criminal activity occurrence of the Data Incident or who pleads *nolo contendere* to any such charge.

34. “Settlement Class Counsel” means Raina C. Borrelli of Strauss Borrelli PLLC.

35. “Settlement Class List” means the list of the names and current or last known email and/or mailing address information for Settlement Class Members that Defendant used to mail notice of the Data Incident to individuals, to the extent reasonably available, which Defendant shall provide to the Settlement Administrator within fifteen (15) days of entry of the Preliminary Approval Order.

36. “Settlement Class Member” means an individual who falls within the definition of the Settlement Class.

37. “Settlement Class Representative” means John Glover.

38. “Settlement Payment” or “Settlement Check” mean the payment to be made via mailed check or via electronic means (agreed to by the Parties) to a Participating Settlement Class Member pursuant to the claims process set forth in Paragraph 45.

39. “Settlement Website” means the website the Settlement Administrator will establish and use to provide Settlement Class Members with information about the Settlement and relevant case documents and deadlines, as set forth in Paragraph 51.

SETTLEMENT BENEFITS AND REIMBURSEMENT

40. **Credit Monitoring Services.** All Participating Settlement Class Members shall be offered an opportunity to enroll in Credit Monitoring Services which will include three (3) years of three-bureau credit monitoring and \$1 million in identity theft protection insurance, among other features.

41. **Cash Benefits.** Defendant will pay Approved Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses, or, in the alternative, Alternative Cash Payments, as described below.

a. **Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses** up to a total of \$5,000.00 per Participating Settlement Class Member upon submission of a valid documented claim and supporting third-party documentation for each item of expenditure claimed. Participating Settlement Class Members with Out-of-Pocket Losses must submit documentation supporting their claims. This can include receipts or other documentation not “self-prepared” by the claimant that document the costs incurred. “Self-prepared” documents such as handwritten receipts are, by themselves, insufficient to receive reimbursement, but can be considered to add clarity or support other submitted documentation. A legal guardian for a Participating Settlement Class Member who is under the age of eighteen (18) at the time of claim submission may submit a Minor Claim Form seeking reimbursement of Out-of-Pocket Losses on the minor’s behalf. Out-of-Pocket Losses would include, without limitation and by way

of example: losses associated with fraud or identity theft, professional fees including attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, and fees for credit repair services; costs associated with freezing or unfreezing credit with any credit reporting agency; credit monitoring costs that were incurred on or after mailing of the notice of data breach, through the date of claim submission; and miscellaneous expenses such as notary, fax, postage, copying, mileage, and long-distance telephone charges.

b. **Alternative Cash Payment.** Participating Settlement Class Members may claim an Alternative Cash Payment of \$85.00 per Settlement Class Member in lieu of claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses. In other words, if a Settlement Class Member claims the Alternative Cash Payment, they cannot also receive compensation for Out-of-Pocket Losses. However, Participating Settlement Class Members can claim both the Alternative Cash Payment and Credit Monitoring Services. To receive this benefit, Settlement Class Members must submit a valid claim form, but no documentation is required to make a claim.

42. **Business Practice Commitments.** Defendant will provide a confidential declaration to Settlement Class Counsel describing its information security enhancements since the Data Incident and estimating, to the extent reasonably calculable, the annual cost of those enhancements. The cost of such enhancements will be paid by Defendant separate and apart from all other settlement benefits. To the extent the Court requires this declaration be filed, it shall be filed under seal.

CLAIMS PROCESS AND PAYMENTS TO PARTICIPATING SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBERS

43. **Submission of Electronic and Hard Copy Claims.** Settlement Class Members may submit Claim Forms to the Settlement Administrator electronically via the Settlement Website or physically by mail to the Settlement Administrator. Claim Forms must be submitted electronically or postmarked on or before the Claims Deadline. The Settlement Administrator will maintain records of all Claim Forms submitted until the later of (a) one hundred and eighty (180) Days after the Effective Date or (b) the date all Claim Forms have been fully processed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Information submitted by Settlement Class Members in connection with Claim Forms shall be deemed confidential and protected as such by the Settlement Administrator, Settlement Class Counsel, and Defendant's Counsel.

44. **Claims Review Process.** The Settlement Administrator shall have the sole discretion and authority to determine whether and to what extent claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses, Alternative Cash Payment, or Credit Monitoring Services are valid.

- a. The Settlement Administrator will verify that each person who submits a Claim Form is a member of the Settlement Class.
- b. The Settlement Administrator will determine that each Claim Form submitted by a Settlement Class Member was submitted during the Claims Period and is timely.

- c. The Settlement Administrator will verify that the claimant has provided all third-party documentation or information needed to complete the Claim Form, including any documentation required to support claims for compensation under Paragraph 41 above.
- d. The Settlement Administrator will determine to what extent documentation for Out-of-Pocket Losses reflects losses actually and reasonably incurred and that were more likely than not caused by the Data Incident.
- e. In determining whether claimed Out-of-Pocket Losses are more likely than not caused by the Data Incident, the Settlement Administrator will consider (i) the timing of the alleged loss and whether it occurred on or after May 22, 2025; (ii) whether the alleged loss for the specific Participating Settlement Class Member, involved the types of information for that individual that may have been affected in the Data Incident; (iii) the explanation of the Participating Settlement Class Member as to why the alleged loss was caused by the Data Incident; and (iv) other factors the Settlement Administrator reasonably finds to be relevant.
- f. The Settlement Administrator is authorized to contact any Participating Settlement Class Member (by e-mail, telephone, or U.S. mail) to seek clarification regarding a submitted claim prior to making a determination as to its validity.
- g. No decision of the Settlement Administrator shall be deemed to constitute a finding, admission, or waiver by Defendant as to any matter of fact, law, or evidence having any collateral effect on any proceedings in any forum or before any authority.
- h. To the extent the Settlement Administrator determines that a timely claim Out-of-Pocket Losses, Credit Monitoring Services, or the Alternative Cash Payment by a Settlement Class Member is deficient in whole or in part, the Settlement Administrator shall notify the Settlement Class Member of the deficiencies and provide the Settlement Class member twenty-one (21) days to cure the deficiencies. If the Settlement Administrator subsequently determines that the Participating Settlement Class Member has not cured the deficiencies, the Settlement Administrator will notify the Participating Settlement Class Member within ten (10) days of that determination. The Settlement Administrator may consult with the Parties in making these determinations.
- i. If a Participating Settlement Class Member receives notice that the Settlement Administrator has determined that the deficiencies it identified have not been cured, the Participating Settlement Class Member may request an appeal in writing, including any supporting documents. The appeal must be submitted within twenty-one (21) days of the Settlement Administrator sending the notice. In the event of an appeal, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with all relevant documentation regarding the appeal. The Parties will confer regarding the appeal. If they agree on a disposition of the appeal, that disposition will be final and non-appealable. If they cannot agree on disposition of the appeal, the dispute will be submitted to the

Settlement Administrator for final, non-appealable disposition. In reaching disposition, the Settlement Administrator is authorized to communicate with counsel for the Parties separately or collectively.

45. Payment.

- a. After the Effective Date, and after final determinations have been made with respect to all claims submitted during the Claims Period pursuant to the Claims Review Process, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties an accounting of all Approved Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses, Credit Monitoring Services, or the Alternative Cash Payment, and also provide funding instructions to Defendant. Within the later of forty-five (45) days of receiving this accounting or twenty (20) days of the Effective Date, Defendant or its representative shall transmit the funds needed to pay Approved Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses, Credit Monitoring Services, or the Alternative Cash Payment in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- b. Payments issued by the Settlement Administrator for Approved Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses or the Alternative Cash Payment shall be issued in the form of a check, or via electronic means (through means agreed to by the Parties) and sent as soon as practicable after the Settlement Administrator receives the funds described in Paragraph 45(a).
- c. All Participating Settlement Class Members who fail to submit a valid Claim Form for any benefits under this Agreement within the time frames set forth herein, or such other period as may be ordered by the Court, shall be forever barred from receiving any payments or benefits pursuant to the Settlement, but will in all other respects be subject to and bound by the provisions of this Agreement, including but not limited to the releases contained herein, and the Final Approval Order and Judgment.

46. Timing. Settlement Checks shall bear the legend that they expire if not negotiated within ninety (90) days of their issue date.

47. Returned Checks. For any Settlement Check returned to the Settlement Administrator as undeliverable, the Settlement Administrator shall, within thirty (30) days after the check is returned to the Settlement Administrator as undeliverable, send an e-mail and/or telephone that Participating Settlement Class Member to obtain updated address information. Any replacement Settlement Checks issued to Participating Settlement Class Members shall remain valid and negotiable for sixty (60) days from the date of issuance and thereafter will automatically be canceled and deemed void if not cashed by the Participating Settlement Class Members within that time.

48. Voided Checks. In the event a Settlement Check becomes void, the Participating Settlement Class Member to whom that Settlement Check was made payable will forfeit the right to payment and will not be entitled to payment under the Settlement, and the Agreement will in all other respects be fully enforceable against the Participating Settlement Class Member. No later

than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the issuance of the last Settlement Check, the Settlement Administrator shall take all steps necessary to stop payment on any Settlement Checks that remain uncashed.

SETTLEMENT CLASS NOTICE

49. **Timing of Notice.** Within thirty (30) days after entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, Defendant shall provide the Settlement Class List to the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator shall disseminate the Short Form Notice to Settlement Class Members for whom it has a valid email address or mailing address by the Notice Deadline. The Settlement Administrator shall make the Long Form Notice and Claim Form available to Settlement Class Members on the Settlement Website.

50. **Form of Notice.** Notice shall be disseminated via postcard with a tear-off claim form through First Class U.S. mail to Settlement Class Members on the Settlement Class List. Notice shall also be provided on the Settlement Website. The Notice mailed to Settlement Class Members will consist of a Short Form Notice in a form substantially similar to that attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. The Settlement Administrator shall have discretion to format the Short Form Notice in a reasonable manner to minimize mailing and administrative costs. Before Notices are mailed or emailed, Settlement Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel shall first be provided with a proof copy (reflecting what the items will look like in their final form) and shall have the right to inspect the same for compliance with the Settlement Agreement and any orders of the Court. For Notices sent via postcard that are returned as undeliverable, the Settlement Administrator shall use reasonable efforts (e.g., skip trace) to identify an updated mailing address and resend the postcard notice if an updated mailing address is identified. In addition, the Long Form Notice and Claim Form approved by the Court may be adjusted by the Settlement Administrator in consultation and agreement with the Parties, as may be reasonable and necessary and not inconsistent with such Court approval.

51. **Settlement Website.** The Settlement Administrator will establish the Settlement Website as soon as practicable following entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, but prior to dissemination of the Notice. The URL of the Settlement Website shall be agreed upon by Settlement Class Counsel and Defendant. The Settlement Website shall contain relevant documents, including, but not limited to, the Long Form Notice, the Claim Form, this Agreement, Plaintiff's motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, the Preliminary Approval Order, Plaintiff's motion for an award of attorneys' fees, costs and expenses, and service awards, and the operative complaint in the Action. The Settlement Website shall also include a toll-free telephone number, e-mail address, and mailing address through which Settlement Class Members may contact the Settlement Administrator directly. Class Members shall be able to submit claims online via the Settlement Website or mailed to the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Website shall contain the deadlines for filing a claim, objection, or opt-out requests, and the date of the Final Approval Hearing. The Settlement Website shall not include any advertising and shall remain operational until at least sixty (60) days after all Settlement Payments have been distributed.

52. **Cost of Notice and Administration.** Defendant will pay for the Notice and Administrative Expenses, which will be paid separately from costs associated with providing the

Settlements benefits in Paragraphs 40–42. The costs of Notice and Administrative Expenses will be subject to a not to exceed amount.

OPT-OUTS AND OBJECTIONS

53. **Opt-Outs.** The Notice shall explain the procedure for Settlement Class Members to exclude themselves or “opt-out” of the Settlement by submitting a Request for Exclusion to the Settlement Administrator postmarked no later than the Opt-Out Deadline. The Notice also must state that any Settlement Class Member who does not file a timely Request for Exclusion in accordance with this Paragraph will lose the opportunity to exclude himself or herself from the Settlement and will be bound by the Settlement.

- a. The Request for Exclusion must include the name of the proceeding, the individual’s full name, current address, personal signature, and the words “Request for Exclusion” or a comparable statement that the individual does not wish to participate in the Settlement.
- b. No person shall purport to exercise any exclusion rights of any other person, or purport (a) to opt-out Settlement Class Members as a group, in the aggregate, or as a class; or (b) to opt-out more than one Settlement Class Member on a single Request for Exclusion, or as an agent or representative. Any such purported Request(s) for Exclusion shall be void, and the Settlement Class Member(s) who is or are the subject of such purported Request(s) for Exclusion shall be treated as a Participating Settlement Class Member and be bound by this Settlement Agreement, including the Release contained herein, and judgment entered thereon, unless he or she submits a valid and timely Request for Exclusion.
- c. Within seven (7) days after the Opt-Out Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with a complete and final list of all Opt-Outs.
- d. All persons who Opt Out shall not receive any benefits or be bound by the terms of this Agreement and shall have no right to object to the Settlement or to participate at the Final Approval Hearing. All Participating Settlement Class Members who do not request to be excluded from the Settlement Class in the manner set forth in Paragraph 53, above, shall be bound by the terms of this Settlement Agreement, including the Release contained herein, and any judgment entered thereon, regardless of whether he or she files a Claim Form or receives any monetary benefits from the Settlement.

54. **Objections.** The Notice shall explain the procedure for Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement or request for attorneys’ fees and Litigation Costs and Expenses by filing written objections with the Court no later than the Objection Deadline. The written objection must include (i) the name of the Action; (ii) the Settlement Class Member’s full name and current mailing address; (iii) a statement that states with specificity the grounds for the objection, as well as any documents supporting the objection; (iv) the identity of any attorneys representing the objector; (v) a statement regarding whether the Settlement Class Member (or his/her attorney) intends to appear at the Final Approval Hearing; (vi) information identifying the objector as a

Settlement Class Member, including proof that the objector is within the Settlement Class (e.g., copy of the Notice or copy of original notice of the Data Incident); and (vii) the signature of the Settlement Class Member or the Settlement Class Member's attorney. The Settlement Class Member shall also send a copy of the written objection to the Settlement Administrator, Settlement Class Counsel, and Defendant's Counsel postmarked or emailed no later than the Objection Deadline. Any Settlement Class Member who does not file a timely and adequate objection in accordance with this Paragraph waives the right to object or to be heard at the Final Approval Hearing and shall be forever barred from making any objection to the Settlement and shall be bound by the terms of the Agreement and by all proceedings, orders, and judgments in the Action, including the Release. The exclusive means for any challenge to the Agreement shall be through the provisions of this Paragraph. Within seven (7) days after the Objection Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with all objections submitted.

DUTIES OF THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR

55. **Duties of Settlement Administrator.** The Settlement Administrator shall perform the functions and duties necessary to effectuate the Settlement and as specified in this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Obtaining the Settlement Class List for the purpose of disseminating Notice to Settlement Class Members;
- b. Causing the Notice Program to be effectuated in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement and orders of the Court;
- c. Performing National Change of Address searches on the Settlement Class List and/or skip tracing on undeliverable notices;
- d. Providing Notice to Settlement Class Members via U.S. mail and/or e-mail;
- e. Establishing and maintaining the Settlement Website;
- f. Establishing and maintaining a toll-free telephone line with interactive voice response for Settlement Class Members to call with Settlement-related inquiries, and answering the questions of Settlement Class Members who call with or otherwise communicate such inquiries in a timely fashion;
- g. Responding to any mailed or emailed Settlement Class Member inquiries in a timely fashion;
- h. Reviewing, determining the validity of, and processing all claims submitted consistent with the terms of this Agreement;
- i. Receiving and reviewing Requests for Exclusion and objections from Settlement Class Members. If the Settlement Administrator receives any Requests for Exclusion, objections, or other requests from Settlement Class Members after the deadlines set

forth herein, the Settlement Administrator shall promptly provide copies thereof to Settlement Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel;

- j. Working with the provider of Credit Monitoring Services to receive and send activation codes to Settlement Class Members who submitted valid claims for Credit Monitoring Services after the Effective Date;
- k. After the Effective Date, processing and transmitting Settlement Payments to Settlement Class Members;
- l. Providing weekly or other periodic reports to Settlement Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel that include information regarding claims, objections, Opt Outs and other data agreed to between Settlement Class Counsel, Defendant's Counsel and the Settlement Administrator;
- m. In advance of the Final Approval Hearing, preparing an affidavit to submit to the Court that: (i) attests to implementation of Notice in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; and (ii) identifies each Settlement Class Member who timely and properly submitted a Request for Exclusion; and
- n. Performing any function related to settlement administration as provided for in this Agreement or agreed-upon among Settlement Class Counsel, Defendant's Counsel, and the Settlement Administrator.

PRELIMINARY APPROVAL, FINAL APPROVAL, AND JURISDICTION

56. **Certification of the Settlement Class.** For purposes of this Settlement only, and in the context of this Agreement only, the Parties stipulate to the certification of the Settlement Class, which is contingent upon the Court entering the Final Approval Order and Judgment of this Settlement and the occurrence of the Effective Date. Should: (1) the Settlement not receive final approval from the Court, (2) the Effective Date not occur, or (3) the Agreement is otherwise terminated, the certification of the Settlement Class shall be void, and neither the Agreement nor any order or other action relating to the agreement shall be offered by any person as evidence or cited in support of a motion to certify a class for any purpose other than this Settlement. Defendant reserves the right to contest class certification for all other purposes. The Parties further stipulate to designate the Settlement Class Representative as the representative for the Settlement Class.

57. **Preliminary Approval.** Following execution of this Agreement, Settlement Class Counsel shall file a motion for preliminary approval of this Settlement with the Court. Settlement Class Counsel shall provide Defendant's Counsel with a draft of the motion for preliminary approval within a reasonable time frame prior to filing same to ensure that any requested revisions from Defendant are addressed. The proposed Preliminary Approval Order shall be in the form attached as **Exhibit D**.

58. **Final Approval.** Settlement Class Counsel shall move the Court for a Final Approval Order and Judgment of this Settlement, to be issued following the Final Approval

Hearing, substantially in the form set forth in **Exhibit E**, at least fourteen (14) days before the Final Approval Hearing. Counsel for the Parties shall request that the Court set a date for the Final Approval Hearing no earlier than one hundred and twenty (120) days after entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. Settlement Class Counsel shall provide Defendant's Counsel with a draft of the motion for final approval within a reasonable time frame prior to filing same to ensure that any requested revisions from Defendant are addressed.

59. Jurisdiction. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over the implementation, enforcement, and performance of this Agreement, and shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any suit, action, proceeding or dispute between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement that cannot be resolved by negotiation and agreement by counsel for the Parties. The Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to the administration, consummation, and enforcement of the Agreement and shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of enforcing all terms of the Agreement. The Court shall also retain jurisdiction over all questions and/or disputes related to the Notice and the Settlement Administrator. As part of its agreement to render services in connection with this Settlement, the Settlement Administrator consents to the jurisdiction of the Court for this purpose and any dispute between or among the Settlement Administrator, Plaintiff, and/or Defendant.

MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

60. Modification. The terms and provisions of this Agreement may be amended, modified, or expanded by written agreement of the Parties and approval of the Court; provided, however, that, after entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, the Parties may, by written agreement, effect such amendments, modifications, or expansions of this Agreement and its implementing documents (including all exhibits hereto) without further notice to the Settlement Class or approval by the Court if such changes are consistent with the Court's Preliminary Approval Order and do not materially alter, reduce, or limit the rights of Settlement Class Members or Defendant under this Agreement.

61. Termination. Settlement Class Counsel (on behalf of the Settlement Class Members) and Defendant shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by providing written notice of their or its election to do so ("Termination Notice"): within fourteen (14) days of (1) the Court's refusal to grant preliminary approval of the Settlement in any material respect; (2) the Court's refusal to enter the Final Approval Order and Judgment in any material respect, or (3) the date the Final Approval Order and Judgment is modified or reversed in any material respect by any appellate or other court.

62. Effect of Termination. In the event of a termination as provided in Paragraph 61, this Agreement shall be considered null and void, all of the Parties' obligations under the Agreement shall cease to be of any force and effect, and the Parties shall return to the status quo ante in the Action as if the Parties had not entered into this Agreement. In addition, in the event of such a termination, the certification of the Settlement Class shall be void. Defendant reserves the right to contest class certification for all purposes other than this Settlement. All of the Parties' respective pre-Settlement claims and defenses will be preserved. Any Court orders preliminarily or finally approving certification of the Settlement Class and any other orders entered pursuant to the Agreement shall be deemed null and void and vacated, and shall not be used or cited thereafter.

by any person or entity in support of claims or defenses or in support or in opposition to a class certification motion. In addition, the fact that Defendant did not oppose certification of a class under the Settlement shall not be used or cited thereafter by any person or entity, including in a contested proceeding relating to class certification.

63. Settlement Not Approved. If: (1) the Court does not issue the Preliminary Approval Order or Final Approval Order; (2) the Effective Date does not occur; or (3) the Final Approval Order is modified or reversed in any material respect by any appellate or other court, the Parties shall have 60 days from the date of such occurrence or non-occurrence during which the Parties shall work together in good faith in considering, drafting, and submitting reasonable modifications to this Agreement to address any issues identified by the Court or that otherwise caused the Preliminary Approval Order or Final Approval Order not to issue or the Effective Date not to occur. If such efforts are unsuccessful, either Party may at their sole discretion terminate this Agreement on seven (7) days written notice to the other Party. For avoidance of any doubt, neither Party may terminate the Agreement while an appeal from an order granting approval of the Settlement is pending.

RELEASES

64. The Release. Upon the Effective Date, and in consideration of the Settlement benefits described herein, each Releasing Party shall be deemed to have completely and unconditionally released, acquitted, and forever discharged Defendant and each of the Released Parties from any and all Released Claims, including Unknown Claims.

65. Unknown Claims. The Released Claims include the release of Unknown Claims. "Unknown Claims" means claims that could have been raised in the Action and claims Releasing Parties do not know or suspect to exist, which, if known by him, her or it, might affect his, her or its agreement to release the Released Parties or the Released Claims or might affect his, her or its decision to agree, object or not to object to the Settlement. Upon the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties shall be deemed to have, and shall have, expressly waived and relinquished, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the provisions, rights and benefits of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

Upon the Effective Date, each-Releasing Party shall be deemed to have, and shall have, waived any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state, the District of Columbia or territory of the United States, by federal law, or principle of common law, or the law of any jurisdiction outside of the United States, which is similar, comparable or equivalent to Section 1542 of the California Civil Code. The Releasing Parties acknowledge that they may discover facts in addition to or different from those that they now know or believe to be true with

respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims or relation of the Released Parties thereto, but that it is their intention to finally and forever settle and release the Released Claims, including but not limited to any Unknown Claims they may have, as that term is defined in this Paragraph. The Parties acknowledge, and the Releasing Parties shall be deemed by operation of the Agreement to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver is a material term of the Agreement.

66. Each Releasor waives any and all defenses, rights, and benefits that may be derived from the provisions of applicable law in any jurisdiction that, absent such waiver, may limit the extent or effect of the release contained in this Settlement Agreement.

67. **Bar to Future Suits.** Upon entry of the Final Approval Order and Judgment, the Settlement Class Representative and other Participating Settlement Class Members, and all Releasing Parties, shall be enjoined from initiating, asserting, or prosecuting any and all Released Claims, including Unknown Claims, in any proceeding against any of the Released Parties or based on any actions taken by any of the Released Parties that are authorized or required by this Agreement or by the Final Approval Order and Judgment. It is further agreed that the Settlement may be pleaded as a complete defense to any proceeding subject to this Section. It is further agreed that the Settlement may be pleaded as a complete defense to any proceeding subject to this section.

SERVICE AWARD PAYMENTS

68. **Service Award Payments.** At least fourteen (14) days before the Opt-Out and Objection Deadlines, Settlement Class Counsel will file a motion seeking a service award payment for the Settlement Class Representative in recognition of their contributions to this Action not to exceed Two Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$2,500.00). If more than \$2,500.00 per Plaintiff is requested as a service award, Defendant shall have the option to terminate the Settlement in accordance with Paragraph 61. Prior to the disbursement or payment of the Service Award Payment, the Settlement Class Representative shall provide a properly completed and duly executed IRS Form W-9. Defendant shall pay the Court-approved service award to an account established by or on behalf of Settlement Class Counsel within thirty (30) days after the Effective Date and Settlement Class Counsel's provision of its properly completed and duly executed IRS Form W-9, whichever is later. Settlement Class Counsel will ensure payment instructions are provided through secure processes. Settlement Class Counsel will then distribute the service award. Defendant's obligations with respect to the Court-approved service award shall be fully satisfied upon transmission of the funds into the account established by or on behalf of Settlement Class Counsel. Defendant shall have no responsibility for, interest in, or liability whatsoever with respect to any distribution or allocation of service awards. Nor shall Defendant be responsible for any tax obligations or payments associated with the amount paid into the account established by Settlement Class Counsel. To the extent the Effective Date does not occur, Defendant shall have no obligation to pay any service awards. This amount was negotiated after the primary terms of the settlement were negotiated.

69. **No Effect on Agreement.** The finality or effectiveness of the Settlement, including the Final Approval Order and Judgement, shall not depend on the amount or timing of service awards approved and awarded by the Court or any appeal thereof. The amount and timing of service awards is intended to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement. No decision by the Court, or

modification or reversal or appeal of any decision by the Court, concerning the amount of the service awards shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement.

ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, EXPENSES

70. **Attorneys' Fees and Costs and Expenses.** At least fourteen (14) days before the Opt-Out and Objection Deadlines, Settlement Class Counsel will file a motion for Fee Award and Costs, as well as the Service Award, to be paid by Defendant. Defendant agrees not to oppose Settlement Class Counsel's request for Fee Award and Costs, which shall not exceed Two Hundred and Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00). If more than \$200,000.00 is requested as a Fee Award and Costs, Defendant shall have the option to terminate the Settlement in accordance with Paragraph 61. Settlement Class Counsel shall provide to Defendant a properly completed and duly executed IRS Form W-9. Defendant shall pay the Court-approved Fee Award and Costs to an account established by or on behalf of Settlement Class Counsel within thirty (30) days after the Effective Date and Settlement Class Counsel's provision of its properly completed and duly executed IRS Form W-9, whichever is later. The Fee Award and Costs will be allocated by Settlement Class Counsel. Defendant's obligations with respect to the Court-approved Fee Award and Costs shall be fully satisfied upon transmission of the funds into the account established by or on behalf of Settlement Class Counsel. Defendant shall have no responsibility for, interest in, or liability whatsoever with respect to any distribution or allocation of the Fee Award and Costs. Nor shall Defendant be responsible for any tax obligations or payments associated with the amount paid into the account established by or on behalf of Settlement Class Counsel. To the extent the Effective Date does not occur, Defendant shall have no obligation to pay any Fee Award and Costs. The amount of the Fee Award and Costs was negotiated after the primary terms of the Settlement were negotiated.

71. **No Effect on Agreement.** The finality or effectiveness of the Parties' Settlement shall not depend on the amount or timing of the Fee Award and Costs approved and awarded by the Court or any appeal thereof. The amount and timing of the Fee Award and Costs are intended to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement. No decision by the Court, or modification or reversal or appeal of any decision by the Court, concerning the amount or timing of the Fee Award and Costs shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement.

NO ADMISSION OF LIABILITY

72. **No Admission of Liability.** The Parties understand and acknowledge that this Agreement constitutes a compromise and settlement of disputed claims. No action taken by the Parties either previously or in connection with the negotiations or proceedings connected with this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to be an admission of the truth or falsity of any claims or defenses heretofore made or that could have been made, or an acknowledgment or admission by any party of any fault, liability, or wrongdoing of any kind whatsoever.

73. **No Use of Agreement.** Neither the Settlement Agreement, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Settlement: (i) is or may be deemed to be, or may be used as, an admission of, or evidence of, the validity of any claim made by Plaintiff

or any Settlement Class Member, including any Settlement Class Member who opts out of the Settlement; or (ii) is or may be deemed to be, or may be used as, an admission of, or evidence of, any fault or omission by the Released Parties in the Action, or any Settlement Class Member who opts out of the Settlement, or in any proceeding in any court, administrative agency or other tribunal.

MISCELLANEOUS

74. **Publicity.** The Parties agree that they shall not publicize this Settlement, the amount or sum of individual Settlement Class Representative's or Participating Settlement Class Members' shares or the events and negotiations surrounding this Agreement in any way except by joint pleadings or unopposed motions filed with the Court, if required, and as otherwise permitted within this Agreement for the purpose of effectuating the Notice program (including the Settlement Website). If any Party believes a statement is made in violation of this provision, the Parties shall meet-and-confer informally in an effort to resolve the dispute. If the dispute cannot be resolved informally, it shall be submitted to the Court for resolution.

75. **Integration of Exhibits.** The exhibits to this Agreement and any exhibits thereto are a material part of the Settlement and are incorporated and made a part of the Agreement.

76. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement, including all exhibits hereto, shall constitute the entire Agreement among the Parties with regard to the subject matter hereof and shall supersede any previous agreements, representations, communications and understandings among the Parties, including counsel for the Parties. This Agreement may not be changed, modified, or amended except in writing signed by all Parties or their successors in interest. The Parties contemplate that, subject to Court approval or without such approval where legally permissible and consistent with any orders of the Court in this proceeding, the exhibits to this Agreement may be modified by subsequent Agreement of counsel for the Parties prior to dissemination of the Notice to the Settlement Class.

77. **Resolution.** The Parties intend this Agreement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes between them with respect to the Action. The Parties each agree that the Settlement and this Agreement were negotiated in good faith and at arm's-length and reflects a Settlement reached voluntarily after consultation with legal counsel of their choice.

78. **Other Litigation.** Plaintiff and Settlement Class Counsel will not cooperate with or encourage any action or filing of claims against Defendant or any Released Parties related to any of the allegations or claims alleged in the Action.

79. **Deadlines.** If any of the dates or deadlines specified herein falls on a weekend or legal holiday, the applicable date or deadline shall fall on the next business day. All reference to "days" in this agreement shall refer to calendar days unless otherwise specified.

80. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors and assigns of Plaintiff and Defendant.

81. **Singular and Plurals.** As used in this Agreement, all references to the plural shall also mean the singular and to the singular shall also mean the plural whenever the context so indicates and reasonably dictates.

82. **Headings.** The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

83. **Construction.** For the purpose of construing or interpreting this Agreement, this Agreement is to be deemed to have been drafted equally by all Parties and shall not be construed strictly for or against any Party.

84. **Cooperation of Parties.** The Parties to this Agreement agree to cooperate in good faith to effectuate the Settlement described in this Agreement.

85. **Obligation to Meet and Confer.** Before filing any motion in the Court raising a dispute arising out of or related to this Agreement between the Parties, the Parties shall consult with each other and certify to the Court that they have consulted in good faith.

86. **No Conflict Intended.** Any inconsistency between the headings used in this Agreement and the text of the Paragraphs of this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of the text.

87. **Governing Law.** The Agreement shall be construed in accordance with, and be governed by, the laws of Texas, without regard to choice of law principles.

88. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument, even though all signatories do not sign the same counterparts. Original signatures are not required. Any signature submitted electronically, by facsimile, or through e-mail of an Adobe PDF shall be deemed an original.

89. **Notices.** All notices to Settlement Class Counsel and counsel for Defendant provided for herein, shall be sent by email to:

Raina C. Borrelli
STRAUSS BORRELLI PLLC
980 N Michigan Ave, Suite 1610
Chicago, IL 60611
raina@straussborrelli.com

All notices to Defendant provided for herein, shall be sent by email to:

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The notice recipients and addresses designated above may be changed by written notice to the other Party.

90. **Authority.** Any person executing this Agreement in a representative capacity represents and warrants that he or she is fully authorized to do so and authorized to bind the Party on whose behalf he, she, or they sign this Agreement to all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

91. **No Government Third-Party Rights or Beneficiaries.** No government agency or official can claim any rights under this Agreement or Settlement.

92. **No Collateral Attack.** The Agreement shall not be subject to collateral attack, including by any Settlement Class Member or any recipient of notices of the Settlement after issuance of the Final Approval Order.

93. **Survival.** The Parties agree that the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement shall survive the signing of the Agreement.

SIGNATURES

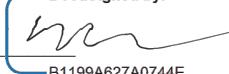
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1/5/2026

Approved as to form by:

Counsel for Plaintiff and the Settlement Class

By: Raina Borrelli
Raina C. Borrelli

Date: 12 / 23 / 2025

Counsel for Defendant

Signed by:
By Michael Stortz
Michael Stortz

Date: 1/5/2026

— EXHIBIT A —

TO: «Email Address»
FROM: “Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement” «info@[SettlementWebsite].com»
SUBJECT: Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement – You are Eligible to File a Claim

LEGAL NOTICE

Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center
Case No. 25-2312-DCE
District Court of Hays County, Texas

**IF YOUR PRIVATE INFORMATION WAS COMPROMISED IN THE MAY 2025
NOVA RECOVERY CENTER 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.*

Dear «First» «Last»:

A Settlement has been reached with Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center (“Nova Recovery”) in a class action lawsuit about the May 2025 cyberattack on Nova Recovery’s computers (the “Data Incident”). Files containing private information were accessed.

Nova Recovery denies that it did anything wrong, and the Court has not decided who is right. The parties have agreed to settle the lawsuit (“Settlement”) to avoid the risks, disruption, and uncertainties of continued litigation.

A copy of the Settlement is available at [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com).

Who is included in the Settlement? The Court has defined the class as: “All individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident.”

The Court has appointed an experienced attorney, called Class Counsel, to represent the Class.

What are the Settlement benefits? You can claim three years of **Credit Monitoring Services** and **one** of two **cash payment** options.

If you have documented losses you can get back up to **\$5,000** for out-of-pocket expenses.

Instead of any cash payments from documented losses, you can get a one-time **\$85** payment.

How do I receive a benefit? Visit [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com) to submit your claim.

To receive a paper copy and submit by US Mail, call 1-**XXX-XXX-XXXX**, or email your request to [info@\[SettlementWebsite\].com](mailto:info@[SettlementWebsite].com). **Claims must be submitted online, mailed, or emailed by [Claims Deadline].**

What if I don't want to participate in the Settlement? If you do not want to be legally bound by the Settlement, you must exclude yourself by **[Opt-Out Deadline]** or you will not be able to sue Nova Recovery for the claims made in *this* lawsuit. If you exclude yourself, you cannot get benefits from this Settlement. If you want to object to the Settlement, you may file an objection by **[Objection Deadline]**. The Settlement Agreement, available on the Settlement website at [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com), explains how to exclude yourself or object.

When will the Court decide whether to approve the Settlement? The Court will hold a hearing in this case on **[FA Hearing Date]** at the **[Court Address]**, to consider whether to approve the Settlement. The Court will also consider Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and costs of up to \$200,000.00, and \$2,500.00 for Plaintiffs. You may attend the hearing at your own cost, but you do not have to.

This notice email is only a summary. For more information, call 1-**XXX-XXX-XXXX** or click here: [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com).

User ID: «User ID»

Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
c/o Settlement Administrator
P.O. Box _____
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

***Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova
Recovery Center***
Case No. 25-2312-DCE

**IF YOUR PRIVATE INFORMATION WAS
COMPROMISED IN THE MAY 2025 NOVA
RECOVERY LLC D/B/A NOVA RECOVERY
CENTER, DATA INCIDENT, A PROPOSED
CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT MAY AFFECT
YOUR RIGHTS AND ENTITLE YOU TO
BENEFITS AND A CASH PAYMENT.**

A court has authorized this Notice.

This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.

You are not being sued.

THIS NOTICE IS ONLY A SUMMARY.
VISIT [WWW.\[SETTLEMENTWEBSITE\].COM](http://WWW.[SETTLEMENTWEBSITE].COM)
OR SCAN THIS QR CODE
FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION.



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Why am I receiving this notice?

A Settlement has been reached with Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center ("Nova Recovery") in a class action lawsuit ("Settlement"). The case is about the May 2025 cyberattack on Nova Recovery's computers (the "Data Incident"). Files containing private information were accessed. Nova Recovery denies that it did anything wrong, and the Court has not decided who is right. The parties have agreed to settle the lawsuit to avoid the risks, disruption, and uncertainties of continued litigation. A copy of the Settlement is available online.

Who is included in the Settlement?

The Court has defined the class as: "All individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident."

The Court has appointed an experienced attorney, called "Class Counsel," to represent the Class.

What are the Settlement benefits?

You can claim three years of **Credit Monitoring Services** and **one** of two **cash payment** options.

If you have documented losses you can get back up to **\$5,000** for out-of-pocket expenses.

*Instead of any cash payments from documented losses, you can get a one-time **\$85** payment.*

Full details and instructions are available online.

How do I receive a benefit?

If you are claiming out-of-pocket expenses, file all of your claims online. Otherwise, you may fill out the Claim Form below. Tear at perforation, and return by U.S. Mail. Postage is already paid. For a full paper Claim Form call **1-XXX-XXX-XXXX**. **Claims must be submitted online or postmarked by [Claims Deadline].**

What if I don't want to participate in the Settlement?

If you do not want to be part of the Settlement, you must exclude yourself by **[Opt-Out Deadline]** or you will not be able to sue Nova Recovery for the claims made in *this* lawsuit. If you exclude yourself, you cannot get benefits from this Settlement. If you want to object to the Settlement, you may file an objection by **[Objection Deadline]**. The Settlement Agreement, available online, explains how to exclude yourself or object.

When will the Court approve the Settlement?

The Court will hold a hearing in this case on **[FA Hearing Date]** at the **[Court Address]**, to consider whether to approve the Settlement. The Court will also consider Class Counsel's request for attorney's fees and costs of up to \$200,000, and \$2,500 for the Plaintiff. You may attend the hearing at your own cost, but you do not have to.



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**Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
c/o Settlement Administrator
P.O. Box [PO Box Number]
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958**



Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement

«First1» «Last1»
«Addr1» «Addr2»
«City», «St» «Zip»

Complete this Claim Form, tear at perforation, and return by U.S.
Mail no later than **Claims Deadline**.

Login ID: «LoginID»
PIN: «PIN»

Only one Claim Form per Class Member.

INSTRUCTIONS: Use this card to submit your claim for three years of **Credit Monitoring Services** and/or the \$85.00 Alternative Cash Payment.

To claim cash payments for out-of-pocket expenses, visit the settlement website at [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com).
To request a full paper Claim Form, call **1-XXX-XXX-XXXX**.

Check this box to enroll in three years of **Credit Monitoring Services** from CyEx Financial Shield Total.

Check this box to claim a one-time \$85.00 **Alternative Cash Payment**.

How would you like to be paid:

Check one: PayPal Venmo Zelle Check (sent to above address)

For digital payment options, please PRINT your email address
LEGIBLY on the line below and doublecheck that it is correct: _____

Notify us if your contact information is different from what is shown above, or changes after submitting this form.

— EXHIBIT B —

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center

Case No. 25-2312-DCE

District Court of Hays County, Texas

**IF YOUR PRIVATE INFORMATION WAS COMPROMISED IN THE MAY 2025
NOVA RECOVERY CENTER DATA INCIDENT, A PROPOSED CLASS ACTION
SETTLEMENT MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS, AND ENTITLE YOU TO
BENEFITS AND 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 Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center (“Nova Recovery” or “Defendant”) in a class action lawsuit. This case is about the targeted cyberattack on Nova Recovery’s computer systems that occurred in May 2025 (the “Data Incident”). Certain files that contained private information were accessed. These files may have contained personal information such as first, middle, and last names; addresses; dates of birth; Social Security numbers; and documentation with financial payment information in relation to services provided by Nova.
- The lawsuit is called *Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center*, Case No. 25-2312-DCE. It is pending in the District Court of Hays County, Texas (the “Litigation”).
- Nova Recovery 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.
- Nova Recovery’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 Nova Recovery.
- 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 or payments 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.[SettlementWebsite].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>	_____, 2026
OPT OUT OF THE SETTLEMENT	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 the Defendants related to the legal claims resolved by this Settlement. You can hire your own lawyer at your own expense.	_____, 2026
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.	_____, 2026
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 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 District Court of Hays County, Texas, 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 *Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center*, Case No. 25-2312-DCE. It is pending in the District Court of Hays County, Texas. The person that filed this lawsuit is called the “Plaintiff” (or “Class Representative”) and the company they sued, Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center, is called the “Defendant.”

2. What is this lawsuit about?

This lawsuit alleges that during the May 2025 targeted cyberattack on Nova Recovery's computer systems, certain files that contained private information were accessed. These files may have contained personal information such as first, middle, and last names; addresses; dates of birth; Social Security numbers; and documentation with financial payment information in relation to services provided by Nova.

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 Representative is John Glover. Everyone included in this Action are the Class Members.

4. Why is there a Settlement?

The Court did not decide whether the Plaintiff 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 Plaintiff and their attorney 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 residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident."

6. Are there exceptions to being included?

Yes. Excluded from the Class are: (1) Nova Recovery and its officers, directors, and related companies; (2) anyone who validly excludes themselves from the Settlement; (3) the Judge in this case, and the Judge's family and staff; and (4) anyone who perpetrated the Data Incident.

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@\[SettlementWebsite\].com](mailto:info@[SettlementWebsite].com)
- Call toll free, 24/7: 1-[XXX-XXX-XXXX](tel:XXX-XXX-XXXX)
- By mail: Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
c/o Settlement Administrator
[PO Box Number]
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

You may also view the Settlement Agreement at [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com).

The Settlement Benefits

7. What does the Settlement provide?

Nova Recovery has agreed to pay for a number of different benefits. All Settlement Class Members may claim **Credit Monitoring Services** and/or one or more of the **cash payment** options. The benefits are explained in more detail below.

CREDIT MONITORING SERVICES. All Class Members are eligible to enroll in three years of CyEx Financial Shield Total. This comprehensive service comes with three bureau credit monitoring, \$1 million of financial fraud insurance, and includes monitoring for:

- fraud or identity theft
- unauthorized financial transactions
- personal information associated with high-risk transactions

If anything suspicious happens, you will be able to talk to a fraud resolution agent to help fix any problems.

CASH PAYMENT OPTIONS

Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses. If you incurred actual, documented out-of-pocket losses due to the Data Incident, you can get back up to **\$5,000.00**. The losses must have occurred between May 22, 2025, and [Claims Deadline].

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 Cash Payment. Instead of the benefits in *Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses*, you may claim a one-time cash payment. This payment is expected to be **\$85.00**. 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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- By mail: Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
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[PO Box Number]
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

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 Nova Recovery about the issues that this Settlement covers. The "Releases" section of the Settlement Agreement (Paragraphs 64-67) describes the legal claims that you give up if you remain in the Class. The Settlement Agreement is available at [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].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.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com). If you prefer, you can download a printable Claim Form from the website and mail it to the Settlement Administrator at:

Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
c/o Settlement Administrator

[PO Box Number]
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

You may also contact the Settlement Administrator to request a Claim Form by telephone, toll free, 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX, by email info@[SettlementWebsite].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 [Claims Deadline]. 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 [Claims Deadline].

11. When will the Settlement benefits be issued?

The Court will hold a final approval hearing on [FA Hearing Date] (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 attorney Raina C. Borrelli of Strauss Borrelli PLLC, 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 \$200,000.00 as reasonable attorney’s fees and costs of litigation. This amount will be paid by Nova Recovery.

Class Counsel will also ask for a Service Award Payment of \$2,500.00 for the Class Representative. The Service Award Payment will also be paid by Nova Recovery.

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 Nova Recovery 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 **[Opt-Out Deadline]**.

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

- (1) the name of the Litigation: *Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center*, Case No. 25-2312-DCE, pending in the District Court of Hays County, Texas;
- (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:

Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
ATTN: Exclusion Request
[PO Box Number]
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

Your Request for Exclusion must be submitted, postmarked, or emailed by **[Opt-Out Deadline]**.

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: *Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center*, Case No. 25-2312-DCE, pending in the District Court of Hays County, Texas;
- (2) your full name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address;
- (3) a clear description of all the reasons you object; include any legal support, such as documents, you may have for your objection;
- (4) if you have hired your own lawyer to represent you for this objection, provide their name, bar number, and contact information;
- (5) whether or not you or your lawyer would like to speak at the Final Approval Hearing;
- (6) information that proves that you are a Class Member (such as a notice you have received); and
- (7) your signature (or, if you have hired your own lawyer, your lawyer’s signature).

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 **[OBJECTION DATE]**. You must also send a copy of the objection to the Settlement Administrator, Class Counsel, and counsel for Defendants.

Clerk of the Court	Settlement Administrator
Clerk of the Court [Court Address]	Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement ATTN: Objections [PO Box Number] Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

Class Counsel	Counsel for Defendants
Raina C. Borrelli STRAUSS BORRELLI PLLC 980 N Michigan Avenue, Suite 1610 Chicago, IL 60611	Beth Petronio K&L Gates LLP 2828 N Harwood Street, Suite 1800 Dallas, TX 75201

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 **[FA Hearing Date]** at **[Hearing Time]** Central Time, in Room **[Court Room]** of the District Court of Hays County, Texas, 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 a Service Award Payment to the Class Representative. 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.[SettlementWebsite].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.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com).

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

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- Call toll free, 24/7: 1-[REDACTED]-XXXX-XXXX
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You can obtain copies of publicly filed documents by visiting the office of the Clerk of the Court, [\[Court Address\]](http://[Court Address]).

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

— EXHIBIT C —

Your claim must
be submitted
online or
postmarked by:
[Claims Deadline]

Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center
Case No. 25-2312-DCE
District Court of Hays County, Texas

DATA INCIDENT SETTLEMENT CLAIM FORM

Your claim must
be submitted
online or
postmarked by:
[Claims Deadline]

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Who is eligible to file a claim? The court has defined the Class this way: "All individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident."

Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (1) Nova Recovery and its officers, directors, and related companies; (2) anyone who validly excludes themselves from the Settlement; (3) the Judge in this case, and the Judge's family and staff; and (4) anyone who perpetrated the Data Incident.

COMPLETE THIS CLAIM FORM IF YOU ARE A CLASS MEMBER AND WISH TO RECEIVE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING SETTLEMENT BENEFITS

AVAILABLE BENEFITS

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Claims for Out-of-Pocket Losses. If you incurred actual, documented out-of-pocket losses due to the Data Incident, you can get back up to **\$5,000.00**. The losses must have occurred between May 22, 2025, and [Claims Deadline].

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

Questions? Call 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX Toll-Free or Visit [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com)

Your claim must
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[Claims Deadline]

Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center

Case No. 25-2312-DCE
District Court of Hays County, Texas

DATA INCIDENT SETTLEMENT CLAIM FORM

Your claim must
be submitted
online or
postmarked by:
[Claims Deadline]

- 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.

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-OR-

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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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- Call toll free, 24/7: 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX
- By mail: Nova Recovery Data Incident Settlement
c/o Settlement Administrator
[PO Box Number]
Santa Ana, CA 92799-9958

THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY TO SUBMIT YOUR CLAIMS IS ONLINE AT
[www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com)

You may also print out and complete this Claim Form, and submit it by U.S. mail.

An electronic image of the completed Claim Form can also be emailed to [info@\[SettlementWebsite\].com](mailto:info@[SettlementWebsite].com)

You must submit your Claim Form online, by mail, or by email no later than [Claims Deadline].

Questions? Call 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX Toll-Free or Visit [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com)

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[Claims Deadline]

Glover v. Nova Recovery LLC d/b/a Nova Recovery Center

Case No. 25-2312-DCE
District Court of Hays County, Texas

DATA INCIDENT SETTLEMENT CLAIM FORM

Your claim must
be submitted
online or
postmarked by:
[Claims Deadline]

I. CLASS MEMBER NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Print your name and contact information below. You must notify the Settlement Administrator if your contact information changes after you submit this claim form. All fields are required. **Please print legibly.**

First Name	Last Name	
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Email Address	Phone Number	Notice ID (if known)

II. CREDIT MONITORING SERVICES

Check this box if you would like to enroll in three years of Credit Monitoring Services from CyEx Financial Shield Total.

III. CLAIMS FOR OUT-OF-POCKET LOSSES

Check this box if you would like to claim reimbursement for documented losses due to identity theft or fraud. You can get back up to \$5,000.00. **DO NOT CLAIM THIS BENEFIT IF YOU ARE CLAIMING PAYMENTS FROM SECTION IV.**

Please complete the table below, describing the supporting documentation you are submitting.

Description of Documentation Provided	Amount
<i>Example: Unauthorized bank transfer</i>	\$500

If you have more expenses than rows, you may attach additional sheets of paper to account for them. Please print your name and sign the bottom of each additional sheet of paper.

Questions? Call 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX Toll-Free or Visit [www.\[SettlementWebsite\].com](http://www.[SettlementWebsite].com)

Your claim must
be submitted
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postmarked by:
[Claims Deadline]

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[Claims Deadline]

IV. ALTERNATIVE CASH PAYMENT

Check this box if you want to claim a one-time \$85.00 cash payment.

DO NOT CLAIM THIS BENEFIT IF YOU ARE CLAIMING PAYMENTS FROM SECTION III.

V. PAYMENT SELECTION

Please select one of the following payment options, which will be used if you are claiming a cash payment.

PayPal

Email address, if different than you provided in Section 1: _____

Venmo

Mobile number, if different than you provided in Section 1: _____

Zelle

Email address or mobile number, if different than you provided in Section 1: _____

Physical Check

Payment will be mailed to the address provided in Section 1.

VI. ATTESTATION & SIGNATURE

I swear and affirm on penalty of perjury that the information provided in this Claim Form, including supporting documentation, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that my claim is subject to verification and that I may be asked to provide supplemental information by the Settlement Administrator before my claim is considered complete and valid.

Signature

Printed Name

Date

— EXHIBIT D —

CAUSE NO. 25-2312-DCE

JOHN GLOVER, on behalf of himself and
all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

**NOVA RECOVERY LLC d/b/a NOVA
RECOVERY CENTER,**

Defendant.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS

453rd JUDICIAL DISTRICT

[PROPOSED] PRELIMINARY APPROVAL ORDER

Plaintiff John Glover, by and through his counsel, has submitted a Class Action Settlement Agreement (the “Settlement”) and has applied under Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 42 for an order: (1) preliminarily approving the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlement, (2) certifying a class for purposes of settlement, (3) approving the form and method of notice to the Settlement Class Members, and (4) scheduling a Final Fairness Hearing to consider final approval of the Settlement. The Court has given due consideration to the terms of the Settlement, the exhibits to the Settlement, the submissions in support of preliminary approval of the Settlement, and the record of proceedings, and now finds that the proposed Settlement should be preliminarily approved pending notice to the Settlement Class Members and a final hearing on whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Terms capitalized herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Settlement Agreement.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this lawsuit and jurisdiction over the Plaintiff, the Settlement Class Members, and Defendant in the above-captioned case (the “Parties”).

3. The Court finds that for the purposes of settlement and notice the requirements of Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 42 have been met, specifically:

- a. The Settlement Class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable, as there are thousands of members;
- b. There are questions of law or fact common to the Settlement Class based upon the claims raised in the lawsuit stemming from the Data Incident;
- c. The Plaintiff’s claims are typical of the claims of the Settlement Class and stem from the same Data Incident;
- d. The Plaintiff and Class Counsel will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Settlement Class as they have the same interests in claims relating to the Data Incident;
- e. A class action provides a fair and efficient method for adjudication of the controversy, as questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class predominate over any questions affecting only individual members in that the questions all relate to the Data Incident, and a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy as it will resolve all claims through one proceeding.

The Court therefore **CERTIFIES** the following Settlement Class:

All individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident.

The Court appoints Plaintiff as Class Representative of the Settlement Class and appoints Raina C. Borrelli of Strauss Borrelli PLLC as Settlement Class Counsel.

4. The Court finds that the terms of the Settlement are within the range of a fair, reasonable, and adequate settlement between the Settlement Class and Defendant under the circumstances of this case. The Court therefore preliminarily approves the Settlement and directs the Parties to the Settlement to perform and satisfy the terms and conditions of the Settlement that are triggered by such preliminary approval.

5. The proposed Notice in the forms attached to the Settlement, and the manner of distribution of such Notice by direct mail, are hereby approved by this Court as the best notice practicable to the Class. The proposed Notice attached to the Settlement and the manner of distribution of such by posting to the Settlement Website, is hereby approved by the Court. The form and manner of notice proposed in the Settlement complies with the requirements of due process. The Claim Form is likewise approved by the Court.

6. Pursuant to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 42, a Final Fairness Hearing shall be held before the undersigned at the [ADDRESS] (or by telephone or video conference, if necessary) at [REDACTED] on [REDACTED], 2026, for the purposes of: (a) determining whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate and should be finally approved; (b) determining whether a Final Approval Order should be entered; and (c) considering Class Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees, expenses, and a service award. The Court may adjourn, continue, and reconvene the Final Approval Hearing pursuant to oral announcement without further notice to the Settlement Class, and the Court may consider and grant final approval of the Settlement, with or without minor modification and without further notice to the Settlement Class.

7. Simpluris is appointed as Claims Administrator and shall cause notice to be sent to each Settlement Class Member as set forth in the Settlement.

8. Settlement Class Members shall be afforded an opportunity to opt-out of the Settlement. Any Settlement Class Member wishing to opt-out shall individually sign and timely submit written notice clearly manifesting their intent to be excluded from the Settlement Class within 60 days after the day on which the notice program commences to the designated Post Office box established by the Claims Administrator. Settlement Class Members who submit valid and timely notices of their intent to opt-out from the Settlement Class shall not receive any cash benefits of and/or be bound by the terms of this Settlement. Settlement Class Members who do not timely and validly opt-out of the Settlement Class shall be bound by all determinations and judgments in the action concerning the Settlement.

9. Settlement Class Members who have not opted-out of the Settlement Class shall be afforded an opportunity to object to the terms of the Settlement. Any objection must include: (i) the name of the Action; (ii) the Settlement Class Member's full name and current mailing address; (iii) a statement that states with specificity the grounds for the objection, as well as any documents supporting the objection; (iv) the identity of any attorneys representing the objector; (v) a statement regarding whether the Settlement Class Member (or his/her attorney) intends to appear at the Final Approval Hearing; (vi) information identifying the objector as a Settlement Class Member, including proof that the objector is within the Settlement Class (*e.g.*, copy of the Notice or copy of original notice of the Data Incident); and (vii) the signature of the Settlement Class Member or the Settlement Class Member's attorney. To be timely, written notice of an objection in the appropriate form must be filed with the Court.

10. Any Settlement Class Member who does not make his or her objection known in the manner provided in the Settlement and notice shall be deemed to have waived such objection and shall forever be foreclosed from making any objection to the fairness or adequacy of the proposed Settlement.

11. Any request for intervention in this action for purposes of commenting on or objecting to the Settlement must meet the requirements set forth above, including the deadline for filing objections, and also must be accompanied by any evidence, briefs, motions or other materials the proposed intervenor intends to offer in support of the request for intervention.

12. Any lawyer intending to appear at the Final Fairness Hearing must be authorized to represent a Settlement Class Member, must be duly admitted to practice law before the Court, and must file a written appearance. Copies of the appearance must be served on Settlement Class Counsel and counsel for Defendant in accordance with applicable rules of Court.

13. No later than fourteen (14) days prior to the deadlines for a Settlement Class Member to opt-out of or object to the Settlement, Settlement Class Counsel shall file a motion for approval of the attorneys' fees, expenses, and service awards to be paid by Defendant, along with any supporting materials, to be considered at the Final Fairness Hearing.

14. If the Settlement does not become effective or is rescinded pursuant to the terms of the Settlement, the Settlement and all proceedings had in connection therewith shall be without prejudice to the status quo ante rights of the Plaintiff and Defendant, and all orders issued pursuant to the Settlement shall be vacated.

15. The Court retains jurisdiction to consider all further applications arising out of or connected with the proposed Settlement.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

SIGNED this ____ day of ____, 2026.

JUDGE

— EXHIBIT E —

CAUSE NO. 25-2312-DCE

JOHN GLOVER, on behalf of himself and
all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

**NOVA RECOVERY LLC d/b/a NOVA
RECOVERY CENTER,**

Defendant.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS

453rd JUDICIAL DISTRICT

[PROPOSED] FINAL APPROVAL ORDER

Before the Court is Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement ("Motion for Final Approval"). The Motion seeks approval of the Settlement as fair, reasonable, and adequate.

Having reviewed and considered the Settlement Agreement, the Motion for Final Approval, and the Motion for Attorneys' Fees, and having conducted a Final Approval Hearing, the Court makes the findings and grants the relief set forth below approving the Settlement upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Order.

WHEREAS, on [DATE], the Court entered the Preliminary Approval Order ("Preliminary Approval Order") which, among other things: (a) conditionally certified this matter as a class action, including defining the class and class claims, (b) appointed Plaintiff as the Settlement Class Representative and appointed Settlement Class Counsel; (c) preliminarily approved the Settlement Agreement; (d) approved the form and manner of Notice to the Settlement Class; (d) set deadlines for opt-outs and objections; (e) approved and appointed the Claims Administrator; and (f) set the date for the Final Approval Hearing;

WHEREAS, on [DATE], pursuant to the Notice requirements set forth in the Settlement Agreement and in the Preliminary Approval Order, the Settlement Class was notified of the terms of the proposed Settlement Agreement, of the right of Settlement Class Members to opt-out, and the right of Settlement Class Members to object to the Settlement Agreement and to be heard at a Final Approval Hearing;

WHEREAS, on [DATE], the Court held a Final Approval Hearing to determine, *inter alia*: (1) whether the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement are fair, reasonable, and adequate for the release of the claims contemplated by the Settlement Agreement; and (2) whether judgment should be entered dismissing this action with prejudice;

WHEREAS, the Court is not required to conduct a trial on the merits of the case or determine with certainty the factual and legal issues in dispute when determining whether to approve a proposed class action settlement; and

WHEREAS, the Court being required under Tex. R. Civ. P. 42 to make the findings and conclusions hereinafter set forth for the limited purpose of determining whether the Settlement should be approved as being fair, reasonable, adequate and in the best interests of the Settlement Class;

Having given an opportunity to be heard to all requesting persons in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, having heard the presentation of Settlement Class Counsel and counsel for Defendant, having reviewed all of the submissions presented with respect to the proposed Settlement Agreement, having determined that the Settlement Agreement is fair, adequate, and reasonable, having considered the application made by Settlement Class Counsel for attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, and the application for Service Award Payment to the Representative Plaintiff, and having reviewed the materials in support thereof, and good cause

appearing:

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and over all claims raised therein and all Parties thereto, including the Settlement Class.

2. The Settlement involves allegations in Plaintiff's Class Action Complaint against Defendant for purported failure to implement or maintain adequate data security measures and safeguards to protect Personal Information, which Plaintiff alleges directly and proximately caused injuries to Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members.

3. The Settlement does not constitute an admission of liability by Defendant, and the Court expressly does not make any finding of liability or wrongdoing by Defendant.

4. Unless otherwise indicated, words spelled in this Order and Judgment Granting Final Approval of Class Action Settlement ("Final Approval Order and Judgment") with initial capital letters have the same meaning as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

5. The Court, having reviewed the terms of the Settlement Agreement submitted by the Parties, grants final approval of the Settlement Agreement, and for purposes of the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order and Judgment only, the Court hereby finally certifies the following Settlement Class:

All individuals residing in the United States whose Private Information was compromised in the Data Incident affecting Nova Recovery starting on approximately May 22, 2025, including all those who received notice of the Data Incident.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) Defendant (ii) all Settlement Class Members who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class; (iii) any judges assigned to this case and their staff and family; and (iv) any other person found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be guilty under criminal law of initiating, causing, aiding, or abetting the occurrence

of the criminal activity underlying the Data Incident or who pleads *nolo contendere* to any such charge.

6. The Settlement was entered into in good faith following arm's length negotiations and is non-collusive. The Settlement is in the best interests of the Settlement Class and is therefore approved. The Court finds that the Parties faced significant risks, expenses, delays, and uncertainties, including as to the outcome, including on appeal, of continued litigation of this complex matter, which further supports the Court's finding that the Settlement Agreement is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class Members. The Court finds that the uncertainties of continued litigation in both the trial and appellate courts, as well as the expense associated with it, weigh in favor of approval of the settlement reflected in the Settlement Agreement.

7. The Settlement Agreement provides, in part, and subject to a more detailed description of the settlement terms in the Settlement Agreement, for:

- a. Settlement Class Members to be able to submit claims that will be evaluated by the Claims Administrator.
- b. Defendant to pay all costs of Settlement Administration, including the cost of the Claims Administrator, instituting Notice, processing and administering claims, and preparing and mailing checks.
- c. Defendant to pay, subject to the approval and award of the Court, the reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses of Class Counsel and Service Award Payments to the Class Representative.

The Court readopts and incorporates herein by reference its preliminary conclusions as to the satisfaction of Tex. R. Civ. P. 42 set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order and notes that

because this certification of the Settlement Class is in connection with the Settlement Agreement rather than litigation, the Court need not address any issues of manageability that may be presented by certification of the Settlement Class proposed in the Settlement Agreement.

8. The terms of the Settlement Agreement are fair, adequate, and reasonable and are hereby approved, adopted, and incorporated by the Court. Notice of the terms of the Settlement, the rights of Settlement Class Members under the Settlement, the Final Approval Hearing, Plaintiff's application for attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, and the Service Award Payment to the Settlement Class Representative has been provided to Settlement Class Members as directed by this Court's Orders, and proof of Notice has been filed with the Court.

9. The Court finds that the Notice, set forth in the Settlement Agreement and effectuated pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order, was the best notice practicable under the circumstances, was reasonably calculated to provide and did provide due and sufficient notice to the Settlement Class of the pendency of the Action, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, the existence and terms of the Settlement Agreement, and their right to object and to appear at the final approval hearing or to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement, and satisfied the requirements of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, the Texas Constitution, the United States Constitution, and other applicable law.

10. As of the Opt-Out deadline, [INSERT] Settlement Class Members have requested to be excluded from the Settlement. All Settlement Class Members who have not validly excluded themselves from the Settlement Class are bound by this Final Approval Order and Judgment.

11. As of the Objection deadline, [INSERT] objections were filed by Settlement Class Members. All Settlement Class Members who have not objected to the Settlement Agreement in the manner provided in the Settlement Agreement are deemed to have waived any objections by

appeal, collateral attack, or otherwise.

12. The Court has considered all the documents filed in support of the Settlement, and has fully considered all matters raised, all exhibits and affidavits filed, all evidence received at the Final Approval Hearing, all other papers and documents comprising the record herein, and all oral arguments presented to the Court.

13. The Parties, their respective attorneys, and the Claims Administrator are hereby directed to consummate the Settlement in accordance with this Final Approval Order and Judgment and the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

14. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Defendant, the Claims Administrator, and Settlement Class Counsel shall implement the Settlement in the manner and timeframe as set forth therein.

15. Within the time period set forth in the Settlement Agreement, the relief provided for in the Settlement Agreement shall be made available to the various Settlement Class Members submitting valid Claim Forms, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement.

16. Pursuant to and as further described in the Settlement Agreement, Plaintiff and the Settlement Class Members release claims as follows:

Upon the Effective Date, and in consideration of the Settlement benefits described herein, each Releasing Party shall be deemed to have completely and unconditionally released, acquitted, and forever discharged Defendant and each of the Released Parties from any and all Released Claims, including Unknown Claims.

17. “Released Claims” means any and all claims, liabilities, rights, claims, demands, suits, actions, causes of action, obligations, damages, penalties, costs, attorneys’ fees, losses, and remedies of every kind or description—whether known or unknown (including Unknown Claims),

existing or potential, suspected or unsuspected, asserted or unasserted, liquidated or unliquidated, legal, statutory, or equitable—that result from, relate to, are based upon, or arise out of the Data Incident, the operative facts alleged in the Action, including the complaint and any amendment thereto, Defendant's information security policies and practices, or Defendant's maintenance or storage of Personal Information, and conduct that was alleged or could have been alleged in the Action, regardless of whether such claims arise under federal, state and/or local law, statute, ordinance, regulation, common law, or other source of law.

18. “Released Parties” means Defendant and each and every of its predecessors, successors, assigns, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, departments, owners, Trustees, and the present and former directors, trustees, officers, employees, agents, insurers, reinsurers, shareholders, attorneys, advisors, consultants, representatives, partners, joint venturers, independent contractors, wholesalers, resellers, distributors, retailers, vendors and related or affiliated entities of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, as well as any and all of Defendant's predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, advisors, vendors, stockholders, partners, agents, attorneys, representatives, insurers, reinsurers, subrogees and assigns. Each of the Released Parties may be referred to individually as a “Released Party.”

19. “Releasing Parties” shall refer, jointly and severally, and individually and collectively, to the Settlement Class Representatives and Participating Settlement Class Members, any person claiming or receiving a benefit under this Settlement, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, representatives, agents, partners, predecessors, successors, attorneys, assigns, and any other person purporting to assert a claim on their behalf.

20. “Unknown Claims” means claims that could have been raised in the Action and claims Releasing Parties do not know or suspect to exist, which, if known by him, her or it, might

affect his, her or its agreement to release the Released Parties or the Released Claims or might affect his, her or its decision to agree, object or not to object to the Settlement. Upon the Effective Date, Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, and any Releasing Party shall be deemed to have, and shall have, expressly waived and relinquished, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

21. Upon the Effective Date, each of the Releasing Parties shall be deemed to have, and shall have, waived any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state, the District of Columbia or territory of the United States, by federal law, or principle of common law, or the law of any jurisdiction outside of the United States. Settlement Class Representatives, Participating Settlement Class Members, and the Releasing Parties acknowledge that they may discover facts in addition to or different from those that they now know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Release, but that it is their intention to finally and forever settle and release the Released Claims, including but not limited to any Unknown Claims they may have, as that term is defined in this paragraph. The Parties acknowledge, and Settlement Class Members shall be deemed by operation of the Agreement to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver is a material term of the Agreement.

22. Neither Defendant nor Related Parties, shall have or shall be deemed to have released, relinquished, or discharged any claim against any person other than Plaintiff and each and all of the Settlement Class Members. In addition, none of the releases in the Settlement Agreement shall preclude any action to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement by Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, Settlement Class Counsel, and/or Defendant.

23. The Court grants final approval to the appointment of Plaintiff as the Settlement Class Representative. The Court concludes that the Settlement Class Representative has fairly and adequately represented the Settlement Class and will continue to do so.

24. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, and in recognition of his efforts on behalf of the Settlement Class, the Court approves payments to the Settlement Class Representative in the amount of \$2,500.00. Defendant shall make such payments in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

25. The Court grants final approval to the appointment of Settlement Class Counsel. The Court concludes that Settlement Class Counsel has adequately represented the Settlement Class and will continue to do so.

26. The Court, after careful review of the fee petition filed by Settlement Class Counsel, and after applying the appropriate standards required by relevant case law, hereby grants Settlement Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses of \$200,000.00. Payment shall be made pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

27. This Final Approval Order and Judgment and the Settlement Agreement, and all acts, statements, documents, or proceedings relating to the Settlement Agreement are not, and shall not be construed as, used as, or deemed to be evidence of, an admission by or against Defendant of any claim, any fact alleged in the Action, any fault, any wrongdoing, any violation of law, or any liability of any kind on the part of Defendant or of the validity or certifiability for litigation the Settlement Class or any claims that have been, or could have been, asserted in the Action. This Final Approval Order and Judgment, the Settlement Agreement, and all acts, statements, documents, or proceedings relating to the Settlement Agreement shall not be offered or received or be admissible in evidence in any action or proceeding, nor shall they be used in any way as an admission or concession or evidence of any liability or wrongdoing of any nature or that Plaintiff, any Settlement Class Member, or any other person has suffered any damage; provided, however, that the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order and Judgment may be filed in any

action by Defendant, Settlement Class Counsel, or Settlement Class Members seeking to enforce the Settlement Agreement or the Final Approval Order and Judgment (including, but not limited to, enforcing the releases contained herein). The Settlement Agreement and Final Order and Judgment shall not be construed or admissible as an admission by Defendant that Plaintiff's claims or any similar claims are suitable for class treatment. The Settlement Agreement's terms shall be forever binding on, and shall have maximum *res judicata*, collateral estoppel, and all other preclusive effect in, all pending and future lawsuits, claims, suits, demands, petitions, causes of action, or other proceedings as to Released Claims and other prohibitions set forth in this Final Approval Order and Judgment that are maintained by, or on behalf of, any Settlement Class Member or any other person subject to the provisions of this Final Approval Order and Judgment.

28. If the Effective Date, as defined in the Settlement Agreement, does not occur for any reason, this Final Approval Order and Judgment and the Preliminary Approval Order shall be deemed vacated, and shall have no force and effect whatsoever; the Settlement Agreement shall be considered null and void; all of the Parties' obligations under the Settlement Agreement, the Preliminary Approval Order, and this Final Approval Order and Judgment and the terms and provisions of the Settlement Agreement shall have no further force and effect with respect to the Parties and shall not be used in the Action or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any judgment or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement shall be treated as vacated *nunc pro tunc*, and the Parties shall be restored to their respective positions in the Action, as if the Parties never entered into the Settlement Agreement (without prejudice to any of the Parties' respective positions on the issue of class certification or any other issue). In such event, the Parties will jointly request that all scheduled deadlines be reasonably extended by the Court so as to avoid prejudice to any Party or Party's counsel. Further, in such an

event, Defendant will pay amounts already billed or incurred for costs of notice to the Settlement Class, and Settlement Administration, and will not, at any time, seek recovery of same from any other Party to the Action or from counsel to any other Party to the Litigation.

29. This Court shall retain the authority to issue any order necessary to protect its jurisdiction from any action, whether in state or federal court.

30. Without affecting the finality of this Final Order and Judgment, the Court will retain jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Parties with respect to the interpretation and implementation of the Settlement Agreement for all purposes.

31. This Order resolves all claims against all Parties in this action and is a final order.

32. The matter is hereby dismissed with prejudice and without costs except as provided in the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Dated

Judge