

Did you buy Optical Disc Drives (“ODD”) or products incorporating ODD (ODD Products) between January 2000 and December 2010?

If so, you might be affected by a class action settlement.

The Class Actions

Class actions were commenced in British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec on behalf of residents of Canada, alleging that numerous ODD manufacturers and distributors conspired to fix the prices for ODD, and that this resulted in consumers, businesses, and other purchasers paying too much for ODD and ODD Products purchased in Canada.

The Settlement

A settlement of the actions has been reached with Toshiba Corporation (in certain proceedings identified as Toshiba Corp.), Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Corporation (in certain proceedings identified as Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Corp.), Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Korea Corporation (in certain proceedings identified as Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Corp. Korea), Toshiba of Canada Limited (in certain proceedings identified as Toshiba of Canada Ltd.), Toshiba America Consumer Products, LLC, Toshiba America Information Systems, Inc., Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., Samsung Electronics Canada Inc., and Samsung Electronics America, Inc. (the “Settling Defendants”) for CDN \$5,695,000.

The settlement is subject to Court approval in British Columbia and Quebec. The settlement is a resolution of contested claims and is not an admission of liability, fault or wrongdoing.

Certification/Authorization as Class Proceedings for Settlement Purposes

The courts in British Columbia and Quebec have certified/authorized the actions as class proceedings against the Settling Defendants for settlement purposes only.

Settlement Class Members

You may be a member of the settlement class if you purchased ODD or ODD Products between January 1, 2000 and December 31, 2010.

- “ODD” means any device which reads and/or writes data from and to an optical disc, including

but not limited to, CD-ROMs, CD-recordable/rewritable, DVD-ROM, DVD-recordable/rewritable, Blu-Ray, Blu-Ray-recordable/rewritable, and HD DVD, as well as Super Multi-Drives, other combination drives, and optical disc drives designed to be attached externally to computers or other devices.

- “ODD Products” means any products incorporating ODD, including but not limited to desktop computers, mobile/laptop computers, videogame consoles, CD players/recorders, DVD players/recorders and Blu-Ray disc players/recorders.

Settlement and Fee Approval Hearings

Hearings to consider approval of the settlement and class counsel’s fee request of 25% of the settlement, plus disbursements and applicable taxes, will be heard by the British Columbia Court in the City of Vancouver on September 30, 2020 at 9:00am and the Quebec Court in the City of Montreal on October 1, 2020 at 9:15am.

Depending on the status of the COVID-19 situation, it is possible that the hearings will proceed by videoconference, teleconference or in writing. Please visit www.siskinds.com/odd/ or www.cfmlawyers.ca/active-litigation/odd/ for updates.

You may express your views on the proposed settlement or class counsel’s fee request to the Courts. If you wish to do so you must act by September 25, 2020. For more information see www.siskinds.com/odd/ or www.cfmlawyers.ca/active-litigation/odd/.

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