

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

LEONARD SOKOLOW, Individually and on)	Case No. 1:18-cv-01039
Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,)	
)	Hon. Judge Robert M. Dow, Jr.
Plaintiff,)	
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vs.)	
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LJM FUNDS MANAGEMENT, LTD., et al.,)	
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Defendants.)	
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ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT DISTRIBUTION TO AUTHORIZED CLAIMANTS AND GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on the motion of Court-appointed Lead Plaintiffs for approval of a distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to eligible claimants; the Settlement having reached its Effective Date; and the Court having considered the papers filed and proceedings had herein and otherwise being fully informed;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that:

1. This Order incorporates by reference the definitions in the Stipulation and Agreement of Partial Settlement, dated August 19, 2019 (ECF No. 192) and all capitalized terms used, but not defined herein, shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Stipulation or the Declaration of Michael McGuinness in Support of Motion for Authorization to Distribute Net Settlement Fund (“McGuinness Declaration” or “McGuinness Decl.”).

2. The administrative recommendations of Epiq Class Action & Claims Solutions, Inc. (“Epiq” or “Claims Administrator”), the Court-appointed Claims Administrator, to accept the Proof of Claim and Release forms (“Claim Forms”), including the late but otherwise eligible Claim Forms, listed in Exhibits C-1 and C-2 to the McGuinness Declaration, are hereby APPROVED.

3. As determined by the Claims Administrator, wholly rejected or otherwise ineligible Claim Forms, including Disputed Claims B-1, B-2, B-3, and B-4 listed in Exhibit C-3 are hereby REJECTED.

4. The distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants is hereby AUTHORIZED and shall be conducted in accordance with the Stipulation, the Court-approved Plan of Allocation, and the distribution plan for payment of the Net Settlement Fund (“Distribution Plan”) set forth in paragraphs 45-54 of the McGuinness Declaration, which is hereby APPROVED.

5. No new Claim Forms may be accepted after February 11, 2021, and no further adjustments to Claim Forms received on or before February 11, 2021 that would result in an increased Recognized Claim Amount may be made after February 11, 2021.

6. A payment in the amount of \$42,071.17 from the Settlement Fund for Epiq’s estimate of its fees and expenses to be incurred in connection with the Initial Distribution of the Net Settlement Fund is hereby AUTHORIZED. If the incurred fees and expenses for the Initial Distribution are lower than the estimate, the Claims Administrator shall promptly reimburse the Net Settlement Fund.

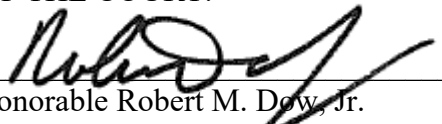
7. The administration of the Settlement and the proposed distribution of the Net Settlement Fund comply with the terms of the Stipulation and the Plan of Allocation.

8. The Claims Administrator is authorized to destroy paper copies of the Claim Forms and all supporting documents one year after the Second Distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, and to destroy electronic copies of the same one year after all funds have been distributed.

9. The Court retains jurisdiction to consider further applications concerning the administration of the Settlement, and such other and further relief as this Court deems appropriate.

DATED this 14th day of December, 2021

BY THE COURT:



Honorable Robert M. Dow, Jr.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE