

## APPENDIX “2”

### Short Form Notice of Settlement Approval Hearing

## Did you attend a Youth Secure Custody Institution or a Training School between May 1, 1973 to June 28, 1989?

**A proposed settlement may affect you. Please read this notice carefully.**  
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The Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador (the “Court”) approved this notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.

A lawsuit was certified as a class action on behalf of people who were subjected to sexual abuse while residing at, or attending, a Newfoundland and Labrador training school or youth secure custody institution between May 1, 1973 to June 28, 1989. The institutions included in this class action are:

- the Whitbourne Training School, also known as the Whitbourne Youth Center, the Boys’ Home, the Boys’ Home and Training School, and the Whitbourne School for Boys, at different times, located in Whitbourne;
- the Pleasantville Training School, also known as the Girl’s Home, the Girls’ Home and Training School, and the Pleasantville School for Girls at different times, located in Torbay and St. John’s; and
- the St. John’s Youth Centre.

The Court certified the class action, appointed Jane Doe (#7), John Doe (#10) and John Doe (#11) as Representative Plaintiffs and appointed the law firm of Morris Martin Moore of Mount Pearl as Class Counsel.

**The Representative Plaintiffs and the Province have agreed to settle this class action.** If the Court approves the settlement, the Province will pay \$12,500,000.00 to establish a settlement fund to compensate class members, pay class counsel’s legal fees and disbursements, and pay for the administration of the settlement. Class counsel are asking the Court to approve fees of \$3,125,000.00, plus tax, and disbursements to date of \$58,899.89, plus tax.

The settlement funds will be divided between class members on the basis of their injuries, subject to a \$500,000.00 cap on any class member’s claim. Additionally, the Province will pay up to \$250,000.00 to provide notice of the settlement and up to \$25,000.00 in honoraria for each of the representative plaintiffs.

The Court must approve the proposed settlement before there is any money or any other benefit available. If the settlement is approved by the Court, class members will give up their rights to sue the Province for sexual abuse they experienced while attending a training school. If you are eligible for compensation, your legal rights will be affected even if you do nothing.

**You have three options:**

- 1. Object in writing:** Write to the Claims Administrator at the address below if you do not like the proposed settlement or the lawyers' fees and disbursements and you do not want them to be approved by the Court. The Claims Administrator must receive your written objection no later than June 8, 2022.
- 2. Object in person:** You do not need to attend Court. However, your written objection may indicate that you would like to address the Court at the hearing of the application to approve the settlement. The application for settlement approval will take place on June 15 and 16, 2022 at the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador in St. John's.

If you wish to lead evidence or make submissions, you must be ready to address the Court on June 15, 2022.

- 3. Do Nothing:** Give up any right you have to object to the proposed settlement.

If the settlement agreement is approved, you will have to comply with its terms to claim compensation. If the settlement agreement is not approved, no one will get any benefits under the settlement.

**You must tell the Claims Administrator, Trilogy Class Action Services, if you want to object to the settlement agreement.**

The Claims Administrator can also tell you more about your options and answer your questions about the settlement.

**To contact the Claims Administrator, please visit [www.NFLDsexabuseclassaction.ca](http://www.NFLDsexabuseclassaction.ca) or call 1-877-400-1211. You can also write to Newfoundland and Labrador Sex Abuse Class Action, 117 Queen Street, P.O. Box 1000, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, L0S 1J0.**