



United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Capobianco et al. v. The City of New York et al.,
Case No. 1:21-cv-06125 (LDH) (VMS);
Brennan et al. v. The City of New York et al.,
Case No. 1:19-cv-2054 (NGG) (CLP);
Aboubakar et al. v. The City of New York et al.,
Case No. Case No. 1:20-cv-01716 (ARR) (RLM)

Class Action Notice

Authorized by the U.S. District Court

There is a class action lawsuit against The City of New York about the conditions in its Central Booking facilities.

There is a settlement of this lawsuit.

You are eligible to receive up to \$475 per visit to Central Booking during the class period.

If you want to receive money as part of this settlement, you must file a claim.

If you want to opt-out of the settlement, do so by October 5, 2026

- This is an important legal document. You should read this notice in full.
- To receive money as part of the settlement, you must file a claim.
- If you take no action, any ruling from the court will apply to you, and you will not be able to sue The City of New York about the same issues.
- The “class period” refers to the period from April 8, 2017, to December 27, 2019 for detainees at Brooklyn Central Booking, and from February 3, 2020, to March 1, 2023 for detainees at all Central Booking locations.
- If you were detained at a relevant Central Booking during these time periods, you are eligible to receive up to \$475 per visit.
- If you have questions or need assistance, please call 1-833-749-4297

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About This Notice

Why did I get this notice?

This notice is to tell you about the settlement of three class action lawsuits, *Capobianco et al v. The City of New York et al*, *Aboubakar et al. v The City of New York et al.*, and *Brennan et al. v. The City of New York et al.*, brought on behalf of people who were detained in the City's Central Booking facilities during the **period between April 8, 2017 to December 27, 2019 for detainees at Brooklyn Central Booking, and February 3, 2020 to March 1, 2023 for detainees at all Central Booking locations.** The lawsuit claims that these individuals' Fourteenth Amendment Rights were violated by the unconstitutional conditions of confinement at Central Booking facilities. **You received this notice because NYDOC records indicate that you are a member of the group of people affected, called the "class."** This notice gives you a summary of the terms of the proposed settlement agreement, explains what rights class members have, and helps class members make informed decisions about what action to take.

What do I do next?

Read this notice in full. Then, decide if you want to:

Receive Payment	To get a payment via check in the mail after the settlement is finally approved, you must submit the claim form. You will be bound by the settlement.
Challenge Your Payment Amount	If you wish to confirm the number of times that you were held in a Central Booking facility according to NYDOC records please contact the Settlement Administrator.
Choose Your Payment Method October 19, 2026	If you prefer to receive your payment via PayPal, Venmo or Zelle, you may select that option on the claim form. You will be bound by the settlement.
Opt Out October 5, 2026	Get no payment. Allows you to bring a lawsuit against The City of New York about the same issues.
Object October 5, 2026	Tell the Court why you don't like the settlement.

What are the most important dates?

Your deadline to opt out: **October 5, 2026**

Your deadline to object: **October 5, 2026**

Settlement approval hearing: **October 22, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.**

Learning About the Lawsuit

What is this lawsuit about?

These lawsuits were filed in April 2019, April 2020, and November 2021. They allege that, between the time **period of April 8, 2017 to December 27, 2019 for detainees at Brooklyn Central Booking, and February 3, 2020 to March 1, 2023 for detainees at all Central Booking locations.** The City of New York detained plaintiffs in unconstitutional conditions and therefore violated their rights under the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.

The City of New York denies that it did anything wrong but has agreed to settle the lawsuit on a class-wide basis.

Why is there a settlement in this lawsuit?

In May 2026, the parties agreed to settle, which means they have reached an agreement to resolve the lawsuit. Both sides want to avoid the risk and expense of further litigation.

The settlement is on behalf of the Class Representatives, who brought the cases, and all members of the settlement classes. The Court has not decided in favor of either side.

What is a class action settlement?

A class action settlement is an agreement between the parties to resolve and end the case. Settlements can provide money to class members who were harmed.

What happens next in this lawsuit?

The Court will hold a Fairness hearing to decide whether to approve the settlement. The hearing will be held at:

Where: United States Courthouse, 225 Cadman Plaza E, Brooklyn, NY 11201

When: October 22, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.

This date may change without further notice to the class. Please check www.CentralBookingSettlement.com to confirm the hearing date and time.

The Court has directed the parties to send you this notice about the proposed settlement. Because the settlement of a class action decides the rights of all members of the proposed class, the Court must give final approval to the settlement before it can take effect. Payments will be made only if the Court approves the settlement.

You don't have to attend the hearing, but you may do so at your own expense. You may also ask the Court for permission to speak about the settlement at the hearing. If the Court does not approve the settlement, it will be void and the lawsuit will continue.

Learning About the Settlement

What does the settlement provide?

The City of New York has agreed to pay up to \$21,500,000 into a settlement fund. Class members will receive up to \$475 for every time that they were held in a Central Booking facility between the time **period between April 8, 2017 to December 27, 2019 for detainees at Brooklyn Central Booking, and February 3, 2020 to March 1, 2023 for detainees at all Central Booking locations**. You may confirm the number of times you were held in a Central Booking Facility by contacting the Settlement Administrator.

Members of the settlement class will "release" their claims as part of the settlement, which means they cannot sue The City of New York for the issues that were raised in this lawsuit.

How will my payment be calculated?

Your payment amount is based on the number of times that you were detained in a Central Booking facility between the time periods of April 8, 2017 to December 27, 2019 for detainees at Brooklyn Central Booking, and February 3, 2020 to March 1, 2023 for detainees at all Central Booking locations (there is a Central Booking facility in each borough of the City of New York). You may confirm the number of times you were held in a Central Booking Facility by contacting the Settlement Administrator.

If you think the number of detentions is wrong, let the Settlement Administrator know.

Deciding What to Do

How do I weigh my options?

You have four options. This chart shows the effects of each option:

	File Claim	Challenge Payment Amount	Object	Opt Out
Can I receive a settlement payment if I . . .	YES	YES	YES	NO
Am I bound by the terms of this lawsuit if I . . .	YES	YES	YES	NO
Can I bring my own case if I . . .	NO	NO	NO	YES
Will the class lawyers represent me in this case if I . . .	YES	YES	NO	NO

Getting Paid

How do I get a payment if I am a class member?

You **MUST** file a claim form to get paid.

Payment will be sent after this settlement is finally approved by the Court, likely by the end of 2026.

What if I believe I am entitled to more money?

If you disagree with the number of detentions for which you are being compensated, contact the Settlement Administrator. Their contact information is on the last page of this notice. They will consult with the parties and get back to you with a final calculation. If you disagree with their final calculation, you may object or opt out.

Do I have a lawyer in this lawsuit?

In a class action, the court appoints class representatives and lawyers to work on the case and represent the interests of all the class members. For this settlement, the Court has appointed the following individuals and lawyers.

Your lawyers: Oren Giskan and Catherine Anderson; Giskan Solotaroff & Anderson LLP, Richard Cardinale; Law Office of Richard Cardinale, Stephen Bergstein; Law Offices of Bergstein & Ullrich, and Scott Korenbaum; Law Office of Scott Korenbaum. These are the lawyers who negotiated this settlement on your behalf.

If you want to be represented by your own lawyer, you may hire one at your own expense.

Do I have to pay the lawyers in this lawsuit?

Lawyers' fees and costs will be paid separately by the Defendants. **You will not have to pay the lawyers directly.**

To date, your lawyers have not been paid any money for their work or the expenses that they have paid for the case. To pay for their time and risk in bringing this case without any guarantee of payment unless they were successful, your lawyers will request, as part of the final approval of this Settlement, that the Court approve a payment of up to \$2,950,000 total in attorneys' fees and costs. This money will not come out of the fund for the class.

Lawyers' fees and expenses will only be awarded if approved by the Court as a fair and reasonable amount. You have the right to object to the lawyers' fees even if you think the settlement terms are fair.

Your lawyers will also ask the Court to approve a payment of between \$8750 and \$15000 to the 67 Class Representatives for the time and effort they contributed to the case.

Finally, Defendants shall pay all settlement administration costs of the Settlement. This money will not come out of the fund for the class.

Opting Out

What if I don't want to be part of this settlement?

You can opt out. If you do, you will not receive payment and cannot object to the settlement. However, you will not be bound or affected by anything that happens in this lawsuit and may be able to file your own case.

Unless you opt out, you will be bound by the settlement and its "release" provisions. That means you won't be able to start, continue, or be part of any other lawsuit against The City of New York and the other Defendants about the issues in this case. A full description of the claims and persons who will be released if this settlement is approved is listed in footnote 1, above.

How do I opt out?

To opt out of the settlement, you must send a letter to the Settlement Administrator that:

- (1) is postmarked by October 5, 2026;
- (2) includes your full name, address and telephone number, and email address;
- (3) states that you want to opt out of the settlement; and
- (4) is signed.

Central Booking Settlement Administrator
Attn: Exclusions
P.O. Box 58220
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Objecting

What if I disagree with the settlement?

If you disagree with any part of the settlement (including the lawyers' fees) but don't want to opt out, you may object. You must give reasons why you think the Court should not approve it and say whether your objection applies to just you, a part of the class, or the entire class. The Court will consider your views. The Court can only approve or deny the settlement — it cannot change the terms of the settlement. You may, but don't need to, hire your own lawyer to help you. To object, you must send a letter to the Settlement Administrator and Court that

- (1) is postmarked by October 5, 2026;
- (2) includes your full name, address and telephone number, and email address;
- (3) states the reasons for your objection;
- (4) says whether you or your lawyer intend to appear at the fairness hearing and your lawyer's name; and
- (5) is signed.

Mail the letter to:

Central Booking Settlement Administrator
Attn: Objections
P.O. Box 58220
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Key Resources

How do I get more information?

This notice is a summary of the proposed settlement. To get a copy of the settlement agreement or get answers to your questions:

- Contact the Settlement Administrator or Your Lawyers (information below)

Resource	Contact
Settlement Administration	Central Booking Settlement Administrator 1650 Arch Street, Suite 2210 Philadelphia, PA 19103 info@CentralBookingSettlement.com www.CentralBookingSettlement.com Tel: 1-833-749-4297
Your Lawyers	Giskan Solotaroff & Anderson LLP 1 Rockefeller Plaza, 8 th Floor, New York NY 10020 (646) 835-0773 info@gslawny.com

CLAIM FORM

- If you have questions or need assistance, please call 1-833-749-4297.

NOTICE ID: «NOTICE ID» «FIRST NAME» «LAST NAME» «ADDRESS»	Central Booking Settlement CLAIM FORM	«Barcode»
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To submit a claim for a Cash Payment, please complete the form below, sign, and mail this form to the Claims Administrator using the return envelope by no later than October 19, 2026.

You may also visit www.CentralBookingSettlement.com to submit a claim

Payment

Select from one the following payment options:

☐ PayPal ☐ Venmo ☐ Zelle ☐ Virtual Prepaid Card ☐ Check

Please provide the email address or phone number associated with your PayPal, Venmo or Zelle account, or email address for the Virtual Prepaid card:

If you have requested a check, and you would like it mailed to a different address, please provide the address below:

Attestation and Signature (all information below must be provided)

I certify that the information I have supplied in this Claim Form is true and correct to the best of my recollection, and that this form was executed on the date set forth below.

Signature: _____

Date (mm/dd/yyyy): ____/____/____

Print Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____

*If you prefer to submit your Social Security Number as encrypted, please submit claim at www.CentralBookingSettlement.com.

If you have any unpaid child support judgments against you, in compliance with New York State law, the City of New York will also assert that lien, which will reduce your payment.