

NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROVE AIRBNB CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

IF YOU RESIDE IN CANADA (EXCEPT QUEBEC) AND BOOKED AN ACCOMODATION VIA AIRBNB FOR NON-BUSINESS TRAVEL BETWEEN OCTOBER 31, 2015 and JUNE 25, 2019, YOU MAY BE AFFECTED BY A CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT

This notice advises you of a settlement of a class action brought in the Federal Court of Canada relating to the display of prices on Airbnb's websites and/or mobile applications. The Court file is *Lin v. Airbnb, Inc. et al.*, Federal Court, docket T-1663-17.

WHAT IS THE CLASS ACTION ABOUT?

The plaintiff alleges that Airbnb contravened the federal *Competition Act* by charging, for the booking of an accommodation offered by a third-party host on the Airbnb Platform, a price above that displayed at the first stage of browsing on Airbnb's websites and/or mobile applications (excluding applicable sales and/or accommodation taxes). These allegations have not been proven in Court and are contested by Airbnb, whose position is that they have complied at all times with all applicable legislation.

AM I PART OF THE CLASS?

All individuals in Canada (except Québec) who reserved an accommodation for non-business travel through Airbnb between October 31, 2015 and June 25, 2019 and paid a higher price than the price initially displayed to that individual on the Airbnb search results page are part of the class.

HAS THE SETTLEMENT TAKEN EFFECT?

No. The settlement must first be approved by the Federal Court, through an approval hearing.

WHEN IS THE APPROVAL HEARING?

The approval hearing will be held virtually on November 1, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. EST via Zoom.

WHAT CAN I RECEIVE FROM THE SETTLEMENT?

If the settlement is approved, a hyperlink will be sent to class members to make a claim. Airbnb will issue a one-time-use only, non-transferable, non-refundable, non-cash-convertible credit of up to CAD \$45 in value to each eligible class member who submits a claim. The credit's value will depend on the total number of approved claims and the amount the Court approves for Class Counsel fees and disbursements, honorarium for the representative Plaintiff, claims administration expenses, and applicable sales taxes, which will be deducted from the settlement fund. The credit cannot be combined

with any other offer, discount, or coupon, and must be redeemed within 24 months after issuance, on your next Airbnb accommodation booking.

WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

1. If you **want to participate in the settlement** and receive the benefits, no action is required. You will then be bound by the class action and the settlement, and will give up the right to take legal action against Airbnb relating in any way to the display of prices on Airbnb's websites and/or mobile applications.
2. If you **do not want to participate in the settlement**, you can opt out by submitting the written election as detailed in the long-form notice.
3. If you wish to **object to the settlement**, you can write to Class Counsel by **October 24, 2021** in accordance with the steps in the long-form notice. Any objections will be used by the Court to consider whether to approve the settlement. The Court cannot change the settlement terms.

WHO REPRESENTS THE CLASS MEMBERS?

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WILL I BE CHARGED FOR LEGAL FEES?

No, you will not be charged for legal fees. The settlement includes Class Counsel's legal fees and disbursements, the representative plaintiff's honorarium, claims administration expenses, and any applicable taxes, subject to Court approval.

THIS NOTICE IS JUST A SUMMARY. If there is any discrepancy between this notice and the settlement agreement, the settlement agreement shall prevail. Please go to <http://www.evolinklaw.com/airbnb-service-fees-national-class-action> for further information and to review the settlement agreement.