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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO  
UNLIMITED JURISDICTION**

COORDINATION PROCEEDING SPECIAL  
TITLE (Cal. R. Ct. 1550(b))

AUTOMOBILE ANTITRUST CASES I, II

This document relates to:  
All Actions

Judicial Council Coordination  
Proceeding Nos. 4298 and 4303

CJC-03-004298 and CJC-03-004303

**CLASS ACTION**

**[PROPOSED] ORDER APPROVING CY  
PRES DISTRIBUTION OF RESIDUAL  
SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND PAYMENT  
OF CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION  
EXPENSES**

Date: May 15, 2025

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Dept: 304

Judge: Honorable Ethan P. Schulman

**Hearing Date and Time Has Been Approved  
by Department 304**

**FILED**

*San Francisco County Superior Court*

**MAY 12 2025**

CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

By *Julia Allen* Deputy

1 Before this Court is Plaintiffs' motion for an order approving *cy pres* distribution of residual  
2 settlement funds and payment of claims administration expenses, concerning the ongoing  
3 administration of the Settlement reached with defendant Ford Motor Company of Canada, Ltd.  
4 Plaintiffs' motion came before the Court at a hearing on May 15, 2025. Upon consideration of  
5 Plaintiffs' motion and supporting declarations, ~~and oral argument in support thereof,~~

6 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

7 1. The Court authorizes payment of \$194,714.59 from the residual Net Settlement Fund to  
8 A.B. Data, Ltd. ("A.B. Data") for claims administration expenses that were reasonably incurred in  
9 distributing the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants.

10 2. The Court authorizes A.B. Data to reserve \$12,179 (the "Reserve") for anticipated  
11 future tax-related expenses and claims administration expenses associated with preparing tax returns for  
12 the Settlement Fund, covering estimated tax liabilities, carrying out the *cy pres* distribution, and closing  
13 out the administration of the Settlement. Class Counsel are authorized to review and, if deemed by  
14 Class Counsel to be reasonable, approve payment of tax liabilities and claims administration expenses  
15 incurred by A.B. Data from the Reserve without further approval by the Court.

16 3. The Court authorizes Class Counsel to direct Western Alliance Bank to transfer the full  
17 amount of the funds held in the Escrow Account to A.B. Data's distribution account prior to the *cy pres*  
18 distribution.

19 4. The Court authorizes the residual remaining in the Net Settlement Fund, after payment  
20 of unreimbursed claims administration expenses (*see* ¶ 1 above) and holding back the Reserve (*see* ¶ 2  
21 above), to be paid to the following nonprofit organizations as a *cy pres* distribution allocated according  
22 to the percentages listed next to each organization:

- 23 a. American Antitrust Institute (10%);
- 24 b. Bay Area Legal Aid (20%);
- 25 c. California Rural Legal Assistance (5%);
- 26 d. Central California Legal Services (5%);
- 27 e. Community Legal Aid of SoCal (5%);

- 1 f. Consumer Federation of California (5%);  
2 g. Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance (5%);  
3 h. Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (20%);  
4 i. Legal Services of Northern California (10%);  
5 j. Legal Aid Society of San Bernardino (5%); and  
6 k. Legal Aid Society of San Diego (10%).

7 5. After completion of the *cy pres* distribution, and after payment of any remaining claims  
8 administration expenses, tax liabilities, and/or tax return preparation expenses are made from the  
9 Reserve, should any funds remain in the Reserve, the residual Reserve funds shall be distributed 50% to  
10 Bay Area Legal Aid and 50% to the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles.

11 6. This Court retains continuing jurisdiction over the administration and distribution of the  
12 Ford Canada Settlement Fund. *The May 15, 2025 hearing is off calendar.*

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14 Dated: May 12, 2025

Ethan P. Schulman  
Honorable Ethan P. Schulman


**CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE**  
(CCP 1010.6(6) & CRC 2.260(g))

I, Felicia Green, a Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of San Francisco, certify that I am not a party to the within action.

On May 12, 2025, I electronically served ORDER APPOINTING CY PRES DISTRIBUTION OF RESIDUAL SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES via File & ServeXpress on the recipients designated on the Transaction Receipt located on the File & ServeXpress website.

Dated: **MAY 12 2025**

Brandon E. Riley, Court Executive Officer

By:   
Felicia Green, Deputy Clerk