

Breast Implant Class Action

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BREAST IMPLANT CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT APPROVED

Vancouver – Mr. Justice E.R.A. Edwards of the British Columbia Supreme Court has approved a settlement of a class action for Canadian women who had silicone gel breast implants. The settlement, which was made without any admission of liability by the defendants, is for women who had silicone gel breast implants made or supplied by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Baxter Healthcare or 3M. The class action covers women who, on February 14, 1997, resided anywhere in Canada other than Ontario or Quebec or who were implanted with silicone gel breast implants anywhere in Canada other than Ontario or Quebec.

The defendants have agreed to pay between \$2.5 million and \$4.3 million depending on how many women come forward with claims. A further amount of up to \$200,000 will be paid for the cost of notice and settlement administration.

The deadline for opting into or out of the settlement is December 2, 2005. The deadline for filing claims is February 1, 2006. For further information contact class counsel:

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