

*This notice was approved by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice*

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT**

**To all persons who were Crown Wards in Ontario at any time from the period on or after January 1, 1966 until March 30, 2017 and suffered physical or sexual assault before or while a Crown Ward ("Class Members")**

**A proposed settlement has been reached with Ontario in this class action to provide compensation of up to \$3,600 to Class Members who are former Crown Wards who suffered physical or sexual assault before or while a Crown Ward.**

This lawsuit is not about seeking money from your abusers for the abuse you suffered. The lawsuit is about the government's alleged duty to consider and, where appropriate, apply for specific benefits on behalf of Crown Wards who were victims of crime, or to seek damages in civil actions on behalf of Crown Wards. The lawsuit, and this settlement, do not impact your ability to sue someone who abused you.

If you opted out of the class action, the settlement will not impact you.

There will be a court hearing on **May 12, 2021** to decide whether the proposed settlement of the lawsuit should be approved. The hearing will take place virtually.

There is no money available now. If the court approves the settlement and you are part of the lawsuit, you can then make a claim.

To obtain further information, please visit <https://OntarioCrownWardClassAction.ca> or contact Epiq Global at 1-877-739-8936, or by email at [info@ontariocrownwardclassaction.ca](mailto:info@ontariocrownwardclassaction.ca).

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