

NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

Shay Abicidan v. Bell Canada
(500-06-000740-155)

Please be advised that a settlement has been reached between the plaintiff Shay Abicidan and the defendant Bell Canada ("Bell") in a class action regarding FIBE™ Internet and television services.

The Superior Court will hold a hearing to approve the settlement on **November 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in room 2.08 of the Montreal Court house located at 1 Notre-Dame Street East, Montréal, Quebec, H2Y 1B6, or via TEAMS**. You can attend the hearing by simply showing up, but you are not obligated to. The date and time of the settlement approval hearing may be subject to adjournment by the Court without further publication notice to the Class Members, other than a copy of the notice which will be posted on Class Counsel's website www.lpclex.com/bell-fibe.

What is the subject of this class action?

The Plaintiff alleged that Bell's advertisements and representations regarding its FIBE™ services gave the false or misleading impression that the services are always provided through a connection that is entirely composed of fibre optics.

Who are the Class Members?

All consumers within the meaning of Quebec's *Consumer Protection Act*, residing in Quebec, who subscribed to "FIBE TV" and/or "FIBE Internet" offered by Bell Canada between May 1st, 2012 and March 30, 2017, and who were not connected to a 100% fibre optics network, or, who were not connected to a network entirely composed of fibre optics.

What does the Settlement provide for?

Without admission of any kind, Bell will pay \$2,000,000 to fully and finally settle this action for the purpose of avoiding further costs and put a final end to this litigation and to all related claims.

This amount will be shared equally among the class members entitled to an amount of money by way of a one-time price reduction on their monthly invoice in the form of a credit to their Bell account, after deduction of Class Counsel fees (\$600,000.00 plus taxes) and others costs and expense (\$100,000.00 plus taxes), subject to Court approval. The price reduction applied to each eligible account will be the same regardless of the number of services subscribed to or the number of subscribers on the account.

Who will receive money?

A credit of approximately \$8.00 plus tax will be applied to the accounts of class members who meet all three of the following criteria:

- (1) they subscribed to Bell's FIBE™ Internet or television services between May 1st, 2012 and March 30, 2017;
- (2) they were connected to Bell's network through a fibre-to-the-neighbourhood connection (FTTN); and

(3) they remain subscribed to Bell's FIBÉ™ Internet or television services as of the Distribution Date as defined in the settlement.

Class members who do not meet the above criteria are not entitled to any money.

How can I receive this credit?

The credit will be applied automatically by Bell to your monthly invoice within five (5) months of the date of the final judgment approving the settlement.

Objection to the settlement

If you wish to object to the settlement, you can attend the hearing of November 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in room 2.08 of the Montreal Court house located at 1 Notre-Dame Street East, Montréal, Quebec, H2Y 1B6, or via TEAMS, to explain why you disagree with the settlement.

Although it is not mandatory, you should complete the objection form and send it to Mtre. Joey Zukran of LPC Avocat Inc. by no later than **November 5, 2021**. You can object without being represented by a lawyer. If you wish, you may also be represented by a lawyer at your own expense.

Exclusion from the class action

If you do not wish to be bound by the settlement, you must exclude yourself from the class action. If you exclude yourself, you will not be able to object to the settlement and you will not be entitled to any amount. You will have the right to take your own legal action against Bell at your own expense.

To exclude yourself, you must send a written request for exclusion to Mtre. Joey Zukran of LPC Avocat Inc. The form must be received by no later than **September 13, 2021**. If you do not exclude yourself, you will be bound by the settlement.

To obtain more information

For more information or to obtain the full text of the settlement and the objection or exclusion forms, contact:

LPC Avocat Inc.
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No other notices will be published or disseminated in connection with the settlement. In the event of any discrepancy between the content of this notice and that of the settlement, the text of the settlement will prevail. The publication of this notice was approved by the Court.