

Court Information Release



United States District Court
Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division
219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois 60604

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Warning! Scam using forged court documents to seek payment, personal financial information

Chicago, IL, Today Individuals have reported receiving emails containing scam documents purportedly issued by the District Court for the Northern District of Illinois that seek payment and personal financial information.

The forged documents may contain some or all of the following:

- May state that the recipient is entitled to class settlement payment if s/he first makes payment and/or provides other financial information.
- May appear to be a court order, guarantee of claims release, bill of costs, or other official-looking court document.
- May display a stamp or seal of the United States District Courts or the District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.
- May appear to be signed by a judge, clerk of court, or other court officer.

If you receive a document seeking payment and/or personal financial information, such as account numbers, regarding a federal court case of which you are unaware, **investigate**.

If you wish to verify the authenticity of a document or lawsuit, you may visit [PACER](https://pacer.login.uscourts.gov) at <https://pacer.login.uscourts.gov> or email the Northern District of Illinois' Clerk's Office at: verify_documents_ilnd@ilnd.uscourts.gov .

If you suspect you are a victim of an internet-related crime, you may file a complaint with the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.IC3.gov

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