IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI AT KANSAS CITY

NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION, PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, FAIRNESS HEARING AND RIGHT TO APPEAR

If you are a Missouri citizen who responded to a debt collection letter from Martin Leigh PC, or its predecessor, Martin, Leigh, Laws & Fritzlen where Martin Leigh was acting on behalf of a debt purchaser between July 2, 2014 and the present, you could get a payment from a class action settlement.

A settlement of a class action lawsuit affects you if you responded to a debt collection letter from Martin Leigh PC, or its predecessor, Martin, Leigh, Laws & Fritzlen where Martin Leigh was acting on behalf of a debt purchaser between July 2, 2014 and the present. If you qualify, you may send in a claim form to ask for payment, or you can exclude yourself from the settlement, or object.

The Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri at Kansas City authorized this notice. The Court will have a hearing to consider whether to approve the settlement, so that the benefits may be paid.

WHO'S AFFECTED?

Missouri citizens who responded to a debt collection letter from Martin Leigh PC, or its predecessor, Martin, Leigh, Laws & Fritzlen where Martin Leigh PC was acting on behalf of a debt purchaser between July 2, 2014 and the present are included in this settlement. *If you fit the above description, you are a 'Class Member.'*

WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?

A lawsuit in <u>Yvette Baker v. Martin Leigh PC.</u>, Case No. 1816-CV32043, claims that defendant Martin Leigh PC attempted to collect on an alleged debt on behalf of a debt purchaser and violated the Missouri Merchandising Practices Act. The suit claims that Martin Leigh, PC violated Missouri's Merchandising Practices Act by deceiving, concealing, suppressing, or omitting from Missouri citizens material facts related to the debt purchaser's absence of a legal right to enforce the alleged debt and charging excessive fees along the way from 2014 to the present. Defendant Martin Leigh PC denies all allegations and have asserted many defenses. The settlement is not an admission of wrongdoing or an indication that any law was violated.

WHAT CAN YOU GET FROM THE SETTLEMENT?

The settlement will result in a payment of \$750,000.00 to be divided up as the court may direct.

HOW DO YOU GET A PAYMENT?

In the event the court approves of this settlement, the court will also determine class counsel's fees and expenses to date, and the amount of excess funds available for class distribution.

WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?

The Court will hold a hearing in this case <u>Yvette Baker v. Martin Leigh PC.</u>, Case No. 1816-CV32043, on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. CST at the 16th Judicial Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri at Kansas City, 415 E. 12th St., 8th Floor, Division 11, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, to consider whether to approve the settlement, which includes payment of attorneys' fees and expenses. You may object to the settlement at the hearing. You may appear at the hearing, but you do not have to. You may seek legal representation for the hearing. For more details, call toll free at 1-877-283-7767, go to www.leyhlaw.com, or write to Gregory Leyh, P.C., 1600 Genessee St., Suite 132, Kansas City, Missouri 64102.

If you are a Class Member, you can object to the settlement if you do not like any part of it. You can give reasons why you think the Court should not approve it. The Court will consider your views. To object, you must send a letter saying that you object to the settlement in Yvette Paker v. Martin Leigh PC. Case No. 1816-CV32043. Be sure to include your name, address, telephone number, email address, your signature, and the reasons you object to the settlement. Mail the objection to the office listed below, postmarked no later than Friday, April 5, 2024.

SEND OBJECTIONS TO

Gregory Leyh, PC 1600 Genessee Street, Suite 132 Kansas City, MO 64102

To exclude yourself from, or opt out of, the settlement and from all further benefits that may arise, you must send a letter by mail clearly stating that you want to be excluded from the Baker Class settlement in <u>Yvette Baker v. Martin Leigh PC.</u>, Case No. 1816-CV32043. Be sure to include your name, address, telephone number, email address, the month and year when you received a debt collection letter from Martin Leigh PC and provided a response (if any), and your signature. You must mail your exclusion request postmarked no later than **Friday**, **April 5**, **2024**, to the following address:

Gregory Leyh, P.C. 1600 Genessee Street, Suite 132 Kansas City, MO 64102 You cannot exclude yourself by calling or by e-mail. If you opt out or are excluded from the class, you will not get any settlement payment or benefits, and you cannot object to the settlement. You will not be legally bound by anything that happens in this lawsuit. You may be able to sue (or continue to sue) Defendant Martin Leigh PC in the future.

Any Baker Class member who submits a timely opt-out notice, but who thereafter revokes that opt-out notice in writing, postmarked no later than ten (10) calendar days prior to the commencement of the April 22, 2024 Fairness Hearing, will be deemed to be a Baker Class member and to not have opted out of the Baker Class