Did you buy Optical Disc Drives ("ODD") or ODD Products between January 2000 and December 2010?

If so, you might be affected by a class action settlement.

The Class Actions

Class actions were commenced in British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec on behalf of residents of Canada, alleging that numerous ODD manufacturers and distributors conspired to fix the prices for ODD, and that this resulted in consumers, businesses, and other purchasers paying too much for ODD and ODD Products purchased in Canada.

The Settlement

A settlement of the actions has been reached with Sony Corporation, Sony Optiarc, Inc., Sony Optiarc America Inc., Sony of Canada Ltd., Sony Electronics, Inc., Sony Corporation of America and Sony NEC Optiarc, Inc. ("Sony") for \$4,400,000 CDN.

The settlement is subject to Court approval in Ontario, British Columbia and Quebec. The settlement is a resolution of contested claims and is not an admission of liability, fault or wrongdoing.

Certification as Class Proceedings for Settlement Purposes

The courts in British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec have certified/authorized the actions as class proceedings against the Sony defendants for settlement purposes only.

Settlement Class Members

You may be a member of the settlement class if you purchased ODD or ODD Products between January 1, 2000 and December 31, 2010. The deadline to opt out or exclude oneself as a settlement class member in the ODD proceeding has passed.

 ODD means any device which reads and/or writes data from and to an optical disk, including but not limited to, CD-ROMs, CDrecordable/rewritable, DVD-ROM, DVDrecordable/rewritable, Blu-Ray, Blu-Rayrecordable/rewritable, and HD DVD, as well as Super Multi-Drives, other combination drives, and optical disk drives designed to be attached externally to computers or other devices.

 ODD Products means products incorporating ODD, including but not limited to desktop computers, mobile/laptop computers, video game consoles, CD players/recorders, DVD players/recorders and Blu-Ray disc players/recorders.

Settlement and Fee Approval Hearings

Hearings to consider approval of the Sony settlement and class counsel's fee request of 25% of the Sony settlement, plus disbursements and applicable taxes, will be heard by the British Columbia Court in the City of Vancouver on May 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., the Ontario Court in the City of London on May 29, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., and the Quebec Court in the City of Montreal on May 29, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

You may express your views on the proposed settlement or class counsel's fee request to the Courts. If you wish to do so you must act by May 10, 2019. For more information see www.siskinds.com/odd/ or www.cfmlawyers.ca/active-litigation/odd/.

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