

0300
GEG ÁRMSAGFFKAGET
SÖ ÖUWVY
UWUÖUÜUÄUWUVÄÖSÖS
ÖÖSÖÖ
ÖÖUÖÄKIGET Fİ Fİ ÄÖCE

Honorable Sean P. O'Donnell
Hearing: July 17, 2025
Without Oral Argument

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR KING COUNTY

LAKISHA LEWIS and CZARINA SLAPE,
individually and on behalf of all others
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY,

Defendants.

NO. 24-2-16171-6 SEA

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS'
MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY
APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION
SETTLEMENT**

Plaintiff Lakisha Lewis and Plaintiff Czarina Slape (collectively "Plaintiffs"), by their Motion for Preliminary Approval, have submitted a proposed Class Action Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") to the Court for review. Having reviewed the Settlement Agreement and Plaintiffs' motion and supporting declaration, the Court FINDS, CONCLUDES, and ORDERS as follows:

1. The Court concludes that the Settlement Agreement is the result of arm's-length negotiations between the parties after contested litigation. The Settlement Agreement has no obvious defects and is within the range of possible settlement approval, such that the terms are reasonable and notice to the Class is appropriate. Capitalized terms appearing in this Order have the same meaning as used in the Settlement Agreement.

1 2. The proposed notices to be sent to the Class and posted on the internet at a
2 settlement website to be established by the Settlement Administrator, examples of which are
3 attached to the Settlement Agreement, are sufficient in detail to provide sufficient notice of the
4 Settlement Agreement to the Settlement Class. The proposed distribution plan of the notice
5 through mail and/or email and establishment of a website are likewise sufficient.

6 3. The forms of Notice fairly, plainly, accurately, and reasonably inform Settlement
7 Class Members of: (1) appropriate information about the nature of this litigation, the Settlement,
8 the Settlement Class definition, the identity of Class Counsel, and the essential terms of the
9 Settlement; (2) appropriate information about Class Counsel's forthcoming application for
10 attorneys' fees and the proposed service awards to the Settlement Class Representatives; (3)
11 appropriate information about how to participate in the Settlement; (4) appropriate information
12 about this Court's procedures for final approval of the Settlement, and about Settlement Class
13 Members' right to appear through counsel if they desire; (5) appropriate information about how
14 to challenge or opt-out of the Settlement, if they wish to do so; and (6) appropriate instructions
15 as to how to obtain additional information regarding this litigation and the Settlement. In addition,
16 pursuant to CR 23(c)(2)(B), the Notice informs Settlement Class Members that any Settlement
17 Class Member who fails to opt-out will be prohibited from bringing a lawsuit against Defendant
18 Seattle Housing Authority ("Defendant" or "SHA") and certain entities related to Defendant
19 based on or related to any of the claims asserted by Plaintiffs.

20 4. The Court finds that the factors of CR 23(a) are satisfied here. The proposed class
21 consists of approximately 72,000 people, and joinder is therefore impracticable. The claims
22 asserted by the Plaintiffs are both common and typical of the claims of the Class Members. The
23 Court finds no conflict of interest presented among Class Counsel or Plaintiffs with the
24
25
26

1 Settlement Class. In addition, the Court finds that the factors of CR 23(b) are also satisfied. The
2 Court finds both factual questions and legal issues that are common to the Plaintiffs' claims and
3 the Settlement Class that predominate over any individualized issues. Certification of the
4 Settlement Class for settlement purposes is superior to piecemeal litigation of the Plaintiffs' and
5 Settlement Class Members' claims. The Court therefore certifies as the Settlement Class the
6 following:

7
8 all U.S. residents whose Personal Information was accessed and/or
9 acquired in the Data Breach, as identified in the Settlement Class
10 List to be provided by Defendant, which Defendant estimates to be
11 approximately 72,000 individuals.

12 5. The Court appoints Kaleigh N. Boyd of Tousley Brain Stephens as Settlement
13 Class Counsel.

14 6. The Court appoints Lakisha Lewis and Czarina Slape as Settlement Class
15 Representatives.

16 7. The Court appoints Eisner Amper Group as the Settlement Administrator in
17 accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and finds that it has sufficient
18 knowledge, skill and expertise to effectively distribute the Notice and to handle the
19 administration of claims to be submitted by the Settlement Class. The Settlement Administrator
20 shall distribute Notice to the Settlement Class as provided by the Settlement Agreement.

21 8. Before disseminating the Settlement Class Notice, the Settlement Administrator
22 shall establish a settlement website for the posting of Notices and the Claim Form as provided in
23 the Settlement Agreement. A copy of this Order; the operative complaint; Class Counsel's
24 motion for attorneys' fees, costs, and service awards (when filed); and motion for final approval
25
26

1 (when filed) shall also be posted on the settlement website. Additional filings in the case may be
2 posted on the site at the request of one or more of the parties.

3 9. Within 30 days of the date of entry of this Order, the Settlement Administrator
4 shall have commenced the Notice Program as provided for in the Settlement Agreement using
5 the Notice and Claim Form substantially in the form specified in the Settlement Agreement.

6 10. Class Counsel shall file their motions for Final Approval and for attorneys' fees,
7 costs, and class representative service awards at least 14 days before the Opt-Out and Objection
8 Deadlines.

9 11. The Final Approval Hearing is scheduled for December 5, 2025, at 9:00 AM at
10 the King County Superior Courthouse, 516 3rd Ave, Room C-203, Seattle, WA 98104. Class
11 Counsel and/or Defendant may file a reply to any objections to the Settlement Agreement or
12 opposition to Class Counsel's fee request no later than seven days before the Final Approval
13 Hearing.

14 12. **All Notice required by this Order and the Settlement Agreement shall notify**
15 **the Class of the Objection/Opt-Out Deadline, which shall be the date which is the 60th day**
16 **after the first date the Settlement Administrator has sent Notice.**

17 13. **All Notice required by this Order and the Settlement Agreement, as well as**
18 **the Claim Form, shall notify the Class of the Claims Deadline, which shall be a date that is**
19 **90 days after the first date Notice is sent to the Class as specified in paragraph 10 of this**
20 **Order.**

21 DATED this _____ day of _____ 2025.

22
23
24
25
26 _____
Judge Sean P. O'Donnell

1 Presented by:

2 /s/Kaleigh N. Boyd

Kaleigh N. Boyd, WSBA #52684

3 Joan M. Pradhan, WSBA #58134

TOUSLEY BRAIN STEPHENS PLLC

4 1200 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1700

5 Seattle, WA 98101

Telephone: 206-682-5600

6 kboyd@tousley.com

jpradhan@tousley.com

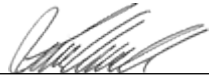
7
8 *Attorneys for Plaintiffs*

**King County Superior Court
Judicial Electronic Signature Page**

Case Number: 24-2-16171-6 SEA
Case Title: LEWIS ET ANO VS HOUSING AUTHORITY OF SEATTLE

Document Title: Order

Date Signed: 07/22/2025



Judge: Sean O'Donnell

Key/ID Number: *274671209*

Page Count: This document contains 5 page(s) plus this signature page.