

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

DOUGLAS S. CHABOT, et al., )  
Individually and on Behalf of All Others ) Civ. Action No. 1:18-cv-02118-JEJ-KM  
Similarly Situated, ) CLASS ACTION  
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Plaintiffs, )  
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vs. )  
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WALGREENS BOOTS ALLIANCE, )  
INC., et al., )  
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Defendants. )  
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**ORDER**  
**January 21, 2020**

Before the Court is Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification (the "Motion") (ECF No. 65). After carefully considering the Motion, record and applicable law, the Court **GRANTS** the Motion. The Court certifies the following Class pursuant to Rule 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure:

All persons or entities who purchased or otherwise acquired Rite Aid Corporation ("Rite Aid") common stock between October 20, 2016 and June 28, 2017, inclusive (the "Class Period"), and were damaged thereby (the "Class").

Excluded from the Class are: (i) defendant Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc., any of its subsidiaries, parents and affiliates; (ii) defendants Stefano Pessina and George R. Fairweather and any members of their immediate families, any entities in which they have a controlling interest, and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns; and (iii) the officers and directors of Rite Aid during the Class Period, and any members of their immediate families, any entities in which they have a controlling interest, and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns.

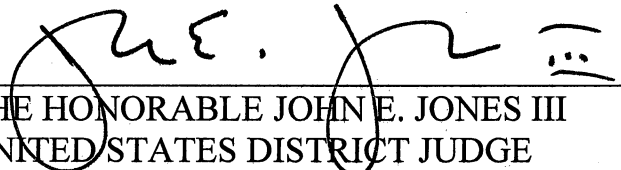
The Court finds that the Class satisfies the requirements of Rule 23(a) and (b)(3) in that: (1) the Class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable; (2) there are questions of law or fact common to the Class; (3) the claims of Plaintiffs are typical of the claims of the other members of the Class; (4) Plaintiffs and proposed Class Counsel and Liaison Counsel will fairly and adequately represent the interests of the Class; (5) the questions of law or fact common to the Class predominate over any questions affecting only individual members; and (6) a

class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy.

In addition, the Court finds that Plaintiffs Douglas S. Chabot (“Chabot”) and Corey M. Dayton (“Dayton”) each satisfies the requirements of Rule 23(a) and appoints Chabot and Dayton as Class Representatives on behalf of the Class. The Court also finds Plaintiffs’ counsel satisfy the requirements of Rule 23(g) and appoint Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP as Class Counsel and Kaufman, Coren & Ress, P.C. as Liaison Counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 1-21-20

  
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THE HONORABLE JOHN E. JONES III  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE