

Google Search Press Release

If you used Google's Search Engine from October 25, 2006 to September 30, 2016 you could get cash from a class action Settlement.

City, State, Month, Day, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- The following statement is being issued by Kroll Settlement Administration regarding the Google Search Engine Settlement.

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A proposed Settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit called *In re Google Referrer Header Privacy Litigation*, Case No. 5:10-cv-4809-EJD, pending in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California.

The lawsuit claims that Google improperly shared Class Member search queries with third-party websites and companies between October 26, 2006 and September 30, 2013. Google denies any wrongdoing and the Court has not decided who is right or wrong. Defendants are entering into this settlement to avoid burdensome and costly litigation and to focus on timely addressing consumer complaints.

Who is included?

You are included as a Settlement Class Member if you used Google Search and clicked on a Search link at any time on or between October 26, 2006 and September 30, 2013. The Settlement Class also includes anyone who could bring any of the claims in the Lawsuit on behalf of these users of Google Search, such as representatives, heirs, administrators, and assigns.

What does the Settlement provide?

Under the Settlement, Google will pay \$23 million to make payments to settlement class members, payments to class representatives, attorneys' fees, litigation costs, and settlement administration costs related to the Settlement. Google will also revise its "FAQs" and "Key Terms" webpages to include conspicuous, clear and concise explanations of how and when search queries may be disclosed to third parties via referrer headers.

The only way to receive benefits from the proposed Settlement is to file a claim. Claim Forms may be submitted online or mailed to the Settlement Administrator at: *In re Google Settlement*, c/o Kroll Settlement Administration, P.O. Box 225391, New York, NY 10150-5391. The deadline to file a claim is _____.

What are your options?

- **Do nothing.** You will not receive any benefits from the Settlement. You will be legally bound by decisions of the Court and you give up your right to sue the Defendant relating to the claims resolved by this Settlement.
- **Exclude Yourself.** If you do not want to be included in the Settlement, you must submit a written request to the Settlement Administrator, Settlement Class Counsel, and Defendants' Counsel by **Month 00, 2022**. You will keep your right to sue Defendants about the claims in this case, but

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you will not receive money. Detailed instructions on how to exclude yourself are found on _____.

- **Object/Comment.** You have the right to object to or comment on the Settlement and still get benefits. If you want to object to or tell the Court what you think about the Settlement, you must submit your objection/comment in writing by **Month 00, 2022**. Detailed instructions on how to object or comment are found on _____ .

The Court has scheduled a Final Fairness Hearing for the Settlement of this case on [Month, day, year] at San Jose Courthouse, Courtroom 4—5th Floor, 280 South 1st St, San Jose, CA 95113 at 9:00 a.m. PST to consider: 1) whether to approve the Settlement; 2) any objections; 3) the requests for awards to the Settlement Class Representatives; and 4) the request for an award of attorneys' fees of up to _____ and class representative costs of \$_____ each. You may attend the Final Approval Hearing and ask to be heard by the Court, but you do not have to attend. Attorneys' fees and expense requests will be posted on _____ after they are filed with the Court.

This is only a summary. For more information about the settlement and benefits, visit _____, call _____.