LEGAL NOTICE

If you received a Notice of Violation of Girard City Ordinance 333.03 or Traffic Code Ordinance 8069-16 for allegedly traveling in excess of 55 m.p.h. on westbound Interstate 80 through the City of Girard between December 7, 2017 and January 7, 2018, a class action affects your rights.

> This is a court-approved legal Notice. This is <u>not</u> a solicitation from a lawyer.

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On July 10, 2019, the Court of Common Pleas of Trumbull County, Ohio granted class certification for certain claims of Class Representatives against Blue Line Solutions, LLC ("Blue Line") and the City of Girard, Ohio ("Girard") in the case Black v. City of Girard, Ohio, Case No. 2018-cv-1256. On June 8, 2021, the Class Representatives reached a proposed Settlement with Blue Line only. The litigation remains ongoing against Girard. Your rights may be affected by the proposed Settlement with Blue Line, as well as the ongoing Action against Girard. Defendants deny all allegations of wrongdoing. The sole purpose of this Notice is to inform you that if you are a Class Member, you must decide whether to participate in the Settlement with Blue Line, the ongoing Action against Girard, or take other action, as described in this Notice. The Court has not decided who is right.

Who is included? The Court certified a Class consisting of all persons who were issued a citation for allegedly traveling in excess of 55 m.p.h. in violation of Girard City Ordinance 333.03 and/or Traffic Code Ordinance 8069.16, between December 7, 2017 and January 7, 2018, in the westbound lane of Interstate 80 within the municipal limits of the City of Girard.

What does the Blue Line Settlement provide? Class Members who made a Qualifying Payment will be paid a pro rata payment from the \$175,000 Blue Line Settlement Fund after deducting amounts for Administrative Costs, attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, and Class Representative Incentive Awards, as awarded by the Court. The Settlement provides for attorneys' fees not to exceed \$58,333 and Incentive Awards to six Class Representatives in the amount of \$1,000 each. Additionally, Blue Line will release claims against Class Members and cease enforcement and collection actions for money from the Qualifying Citations.

How do I get a payment? If you qualify, you do not have to do anything to receive a payment.

What are my other options? If you do not want to be legally bound by the Settlement with Blue Line, or be bound by any rulings in the ongoing Action against Girard, you must exclude yourself by mailing a written, signed request for exclusion to the Settlement Administrator postmarked by November 8, 2021. If you exclude yourself, you will not be eligible for Settlement benefits. If you do not exclude yourself, you will release your claims against Blue Line and be bound by the judgment in the ongoing Action. If you do not exclude yourself, you may object to the Settlement if you do not agree with any or all of its terms. You must mail your written, signed objection to the Court and counsel for the parties postmarked by November 8, 2021. The Settlement Website, www.GirardSpeedingTicketSettlement.com, contains detailed information about how to exclude yourself from the ongoing Action and/or the Settlement, or object to the Settlement.

The Court's Fairness Hearing. The Court of Common Pleas, Trumbull County, Ohio will hold a Fairness Hearing on November 22, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at 161 High Street N.W., Warren, Ohio 44481, to consider whether to approve the Settlement, including the requests for attorneys' fees for Class Counsel and Incentive Awards for the Class Representatives. You may appear at the hearing, either personally or through an attorney hired by you, but you do not have to.

More Information. This Notice is a summary. To read a more detailed description of the terms of the Settlement, the Detailed Notice, and the Settlement Agreement, which more fully describe your rights, visit www.GirardSpeedingTicketSettlement.com or contact the Settlement Administrator at 1-888-559-9713.