

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE LAKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
 ) SS:  
COUNTY OF LAKE ) CAUSE NO. 45C01-1911-CT-001201

JAMES JONES, SAMANTHA L. GORDON, )  
GERALDINE SHERWOOD, MARGARET )  
JOHNSON, and STANA SHESTO, )  
individually and on behalf of all others )  
similarly situated, )

Plaintiffs, )

v. )

THE METHODIST HOSPITAL, INC., )

Defendant. )

**Filed in Open Court**

**JUN 13 2022**

*Lorenzo Amedondo*  
CLERK LAKE CIRCUIT COURT

#### FINAL APPROVAL ORDER

The Court, having held a hearing on June 13, 2022 on the Unopposed Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement, notice of the hearing having been duly given in accordance with this Court's March 7, 2022 Preliminary Approval Order, no Class Member having timely objected to the motion, the parties both supporting the motion, the Court finds that the motion should be, and hereby is, **GRANTED.**

#### ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Terms capitalized herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Settlement filed with the Court on January 3, 2022.
2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this lawsuit and jurisdiction over the Plaintiffs and Defendant in the above-captioned case (the "Parties").

3. The Court reaffirms its certification of the Class for purposes of settlement and defined as:

All residents of Indiana who:

- (a) received health services from Defendant;
- (b) had information present in the relevant emails at the time of the Unauthorized Access;
- (c) were offered access to credit monitoring and identity theft protection service for 24 months at no cost; and
- (d) are not affiliates, legal representatives, attorneys, heirs, assigns, officers, directors, or employees of Defendant or any entity in which Defendant has a controlling interest.

Excluded from the Class are the four persons who submitted timely requests for exclusion pursuant to the Settlement notice.

4. The Court hereby finds that the Settlement is the product of arm's length settlement negotiations between the Parties facilitated by a third-party neutral mediator.

5. The Court hereby finds and concludes that Class Notice was disseminated to persons in the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement and as approved by the Court.

6. The Court further finds and concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Indiana Rules of Trial Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best means of providing notice practicable under the circumstances, provided due and sufficient individual notice to all persons in the Settlement Class who could be identified

through reasonable effort and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order.

7. The Court hereby fully and finally approves the Settlement and finds that the terms constitute, in all respects, a fair, reasonable and adequate settlement as to all Settlement Class Members in accordance with Rule 23 of the Indiana Rules of Trial Procedure.

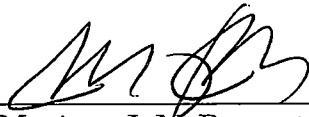
8. The Court orders the Parties to comply with and implement the terms of the Settlement Agreement in all respects.

9. As of the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves, their heirs, assigns, executors, beneficiaries, administrators, predecessors, and successors, and any other person or entity purporting to claim on their behalf shall be deemed to have provided the release set forth in paragraph 7.1 of the Settlement.

**THERE BEING NO JUST REASON FOR DELAY, LET JUDGMENT BE ENTERED.**

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: 6/13/2022

  
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Hon. Marissa J. McDermott, Judge  
Lake Circuit Court

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