

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

D.D. and all other similarly situated, et al., : Case No. 2:10-cv-1097  
Plaintiffs, :  
v. : Judge Edmund A. Sargus  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO, et al., :  
Defendants. : Magistrate Judge Kemp  
: ORDER PRELIMINARILY  
: APPROVING CLASS ACTION  
: SETTLEMENT

This matter is before the Court on the joint motion of the parties, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 to approve a proposed consent decree between Plaintiffs and Defendants in this case. Having reviewed this matter, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. Preliminary Approval. The proposed consent decree between Plaintiffs and Defendants appears, upon preliminary review, to be within the range of reasonableness and accordingly shall be submitted to the class members for their consideration and for a fairness hearing under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e). The terms of the proposed consent decree are attached as Exhibit 1.

2. Hearing. A hearing shall be held in the Courtroom of District Judge Edmund A. Sargus, 85 Marconi Boulevard, Columbus, OH 43215 on \_\_\_\_\_, 2011 at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. to consider final approval of this consent decree. [Counsel request a date on or around November 21, 2011].

3. Objections. All objections by members of the class to the proposed consent decree must be filed with the Clerk of Court and postmarked no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

[Counsel request this date be 14 days before fairness hearing]. The Clerk shall redact

names, dates of birth, and any other private information from the objections before making them part of the public record. At the hearing, the objections by class members shall be reviewed and considered by the Court.

4. Notice. The class notice submitted by the parties and attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is hereby approved. Within 7 calendar days, Class Counsel shall mail the notice to all members of the class at their last known address; research current address for class members whose current address is unknown to the parties, publish the notice in the local Marietta, Ohio newspaper; post the notice in the Washington County Juvenile Center; and post the notice on the plaintiff counsel's website. Defendants shall pay the cost of providing notice to the class members, including postage and newspaper notice, and reasonable search fees for missing addresses.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Edmund A. Sargus  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of Ohio