

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION  
Case No. 7:23-cv-897

IN RE: )  
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CAMP LEJEUNE WATER LITIGATION ) **NOTICE OF CLJA SETTLEMENT**  
 ) **STATUS PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER**  
This Document Relates To: ) **(D.E. 290) (February 26, 2026)**  
ALL CASES )  
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The Defendant United States of America (“Defendant” or the “United States”) provides this Notice pursuant to the Court’s Order issued on October 8, 2024. The matters required to be addressed in said Order (D.E. 290) are set forth below.

**(1) An update on the number and status of CLJA actions filed in the Eastern District of North Carolina**

From February 11, 2023, to February 26, 2026, three thousand, seven hundred and eighteen (3,718) Camp Lejeune Justice Act (“CLJA”) complaints have been filed in this district. One hundred and forty-nine (149) cases have been dismissed; one hundred and thirty-five (135) of those were voluntary dismissals and the other fourteen (14) were pro se cases. The cases are divided as follows: Judge Dever – 932 cases; Judge Myers – 933 cases; Judge Boyle – 911 cases; and Judge Flanagan – 942 cases.

The Torts Branch has determined that one hundred and seventy-eight (178) cases in litigation meet the Elective Option (“EO”) criteria through documentary verification. The case breakdown by injury includes: 49 Kidney Cancer, 4 Liver Cancer, 31 Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma, 17 Leukemia, 41 Bladder Cancer, 8 Multiple Myeloma, 18 Parkinson’s Disease, 7 Kidney Disease, and 3 Systemic Sclerosis/Systemic Scleroderma.

One hundred and five (105) offers have been accepted by plaintiffs on 28 cases of Kidney

Cancer (six offers of \$150,000; twenty-one offers of \$300,000; one offer of \$450,000), 3 cases of Liver Cancer (one offer of \$150,000; two offers of \$300,000), 14 cases of non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (seven offers of \$150,000; five offers of \$300,000 and two offers of \$450,000), 10 cases of Leukemia (three offers of \$150,000; six offers of \$300,000; one offer of \$450,000), 30 cases of Bladder Cancer (ten offers of \$150,000; fifteen offers of \$300,000; one offer of \$400,000; four offers of \$450,000), 4 cases of Multiple Myeloma (three offers of \$250,000, one offer of \$350,000), 8 cases of Parkinson's Disease (two offers of \$100,000; four offers of \$250,000; two offers of \$400,000), 6 cases of Kidney Disease (End Stage Renal Disease) (two offers of \$100,000; four offers of \$250,000), and 2 case of Systemic Sclerosis/Systemic Scleroderma (one offer of \$100,000 and one offer of \$250,000).

Ten (10) offers were rejected by plaintiffs, including 2 cases of Kidney Cancer, 1 case of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, 4 cases of Bladder Cancer, 1 case of Multiple Myeloma, 1 case of Parkinson's Disease, and 1 case of Kidney Disease. Sixty-two (62) offers have expired, including 19 cases of Kidney Cancer, 1 case of Liver Cancer, 16 cases of non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, 7 cases of Leukemia, 7 cases of Bladder Cancer, 3 cases of Multiple Myeloma, 8 case of Parkinson's Disease and 1 case of System Sclerosis/Systemic Scleroderma. One settlement offer was withdrawn by the Department of Justice ("DOJ"), as its administrative claim had received an EO offer.

One hundred and sixty-four (164) offers were made to veteran plaintiffs, six (6) offers were made to civilian plaintiffs, and eight (8) offers were made to estate representatives; of these offers five asserted a claim of injury resulting in death or wrongful death. Ninety-six (96) veteran plaintiffs accepted EO offers, fifty-eight (58) veteran plaintiffs allowed the offer to expire, nine (9) veteran plaintiffs declined the offer, and one (1) veteran plaintiff offer was withdrawn. Five (5) civilian plaintiffs accepted an EO offer and one (1) civilian plaintiff allowed the offer to expire.

Four (4) estate representatives accepted the EO offer, one (1) declined, and three (3) offers have expired.

To date, over 90% of DOJ EO settlement offers that have received a response have been accepted, with the remaining offers largely expiring without a response. A little more than 5% of DOJ EO offers have been affirmatively rejected. Payments have been sent for one hundred and five (105) accepted settlement offers from DOJ. Payments for accepted settlements for both Navy and DOJ total \$469,400,000. The total amount of all approved offers is more than \$691,300,000.

The United States has also reached agreements with Plaintiffs' Leadership Group on settlement amounts for three of the twenty-five Track 1 bellwether cases. *Robert Fiolek v. United States* (4:23-cv-00062) has settled for \$10,000; *Edward Raymond v. United States* (7:23-cv-00546) has settled for \$24,000; and *Jose Vidana v. United States* (7:23-cv-01575) has settled for \$405. DOJ received the completed settlement documents for each of the three cases and has submitted each for payment after receiving approval authorization. Upon receipt of payment, Plaintiffs must file for voluntary dismissal of their case within 14 days.

**(2) The current number of outstanding offers to settle CLJA actions filed in the Eastern District of North Carolina**

There are currently no outstanding (pending) offers to settle a CLJA action filed in the Eastern District of North Carolina.

**(3) An update on the number and status of administrative claims with the Department of Navy**

Of 408,860 de-duplicated claims, approximately 175,345 claims contain at least one supporting document. Approximately 13,006 claims contain at least three supporting documents and allege an injury type that may be considered for settlement under the Elective Option (EO) framework. The time between filing a claim and settlement is dependent upon timely receipt of relevant supporting documents. Per the statutory burden of proof, law firms and claimants must

provide evidence of a medical diagnosis and presence at Camp Lejeune before a settlement determination can be made. Filers are encouraged to submit substantiating documentation expeditiously so that the Camp Lejeune Claims Unit (“CLCU”) can confirm substantiation of those alleged EO injuries and the DOJ can approve settlement offers to as many claimants who qualify for the EO as possible.

The United States has approved two thousand, three hundred and fifty-three (2,353) offers for Navy administrative claimants. The claim breakdown by injury includes: 519 Kidney Cancer, 68 Liver Cancer, 460 Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma, 354 Leukemia, 451 Bladder Cancer, 103 Multiple Myeloma, 170 Parkinson’s Disease, 208 Kidney Disease, and 20 Systemic Sclerosis/Systemic Scleroderma. Two thousand and sixty-five (2,065) approved offers were for veteran claimants, two hundred and seventy-seven (277) offers for civilian claimants, two (2) offers for claimants alleging an in-utero injury, eight (8) offers were for claimants classified as estate representatives, and one (1) offer was for a claimant that was not classified. The claim breakdown by payment includes: 124 offers of \$100,000, 578 offers of \$150,000, 39 offers of \$200,000, 350 offers of \$250,000, 658 offers of \$300,000, 106 offers of \$350,000, 302 offers of \$400,000, 108 offers of \$450,000, 38 offers of \$500,000, and 50 offers of \$550,000. Of these offers, eight hundred and nine (809) claimants asserted a claim of injury resulting in death or wrongful death. One thousand, six hundred and five (1,605) offers were accepted, eighty-one (81) were rejected, fifty-four (54) have expired, six hundred and ten (610) are pending, and three (3) were withdrawn.

To date, over 95% of the Navy EO offers that have received a response have been accepted. Payments have been sent for one thousand and five hundred and fifty-four (1,554) accepted settlement offers from Navy. Payments for accepted settlements for both Navy and DOJ total \$469,400,000. The total amount of all approved offers is more than \$691,300,000.

**(4) The current number of outstanding offers to settle administrative claims under CLJA:**

There are currently six hundred and ten (610) outstanding (pending) offers to settle an Administrative Claim.

*[Signatures follow on next page]*

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