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NOTICE OF FILING

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
STEVEN RICHARDS v. UNITED HOSPITAL CENTER INC
CC-31-2013-C-978

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In the Circuit Court of Monongalia County, West Virginia

STEVEN RICHARDS,
Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED HOSPITAL CENTER INC,
Defendant

Case No. CC-31-2013-C-978
Judge Perri J. DeChristopher

Order Amending Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement

On the 7th day of April, 2026, the Plaintiff, Steven Richards, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, by and through their counsel, David E. Goddard, of Goddard Law, and Richard A. Monahan, of Bordas & Bordas Attorneys, PLLC, and the Defendant, United Hospital Center, Inc. (hereinafter “United Hospital Center” or “Defendant”), by and through its counsel, Marc E. Williams and Robert L. Massie, of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, filed a Joint Motion to Amend Preliminary Approval Order of Class Action Settlement.

The Court having reviewed the Motion, **GRANTS** the Motion and hereby **ORDERS** the following:

1. To assist the Settlement Administrator’s efforts to provide notice, Counsel for Defendant will provide a list of patients seen at Defendant’s hospital from 9/10/2006, two years prior to the class period, through 6/05/2014, and will include more than 26,877 patients.
2. The Settlement Administrator’s notice to the above patients will consist of one notice via postcard. The postcard notice will describe a Class Member’s right to be excluded from the Settlement and include instructions to locate the opt-out form on the Settlement website, and the Settlement Administrator’s contact information to request an opt-out form via mail or electronic mail.
3. Class Member’s will have ninety (90) days from the date of the Settlement notice,

to also be the date it is mailed to Class Members, to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class by completing the opt-out form and submitting it to the Settlement Administrator. If a Class Member has submitted an opt-out form and later wishes to participate in the Settlement, the Class Member may do so by submitting a claim within nine (9) months from the date of the Settlement notice.

4. The Settlement Administrator will provide a list of approved claims to Defendant, and once approved, Defendant or its insurer, Intact, will pay the Settlement Administrator the amount of the approved claims, and Claimant payments will be made by the Settlement Administrator, with the Settlement Administrator to be responsible for obtaining tax identification numbers from Class Members receiving over \$600.00, and for issuing them Federal Form 1099's.

The Clerk is **DIRECTED** to send a Certified copy of this Order to all counsel of record.

/s/ Perri J. DeChristopher
Circuit Court Judge
21st Judicial Circuit

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