

**NOTICE  
TO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS ACTION CONCERNING  
THE COPYRIGHTS OF THE GAZETTE'S FREELANCERS**

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**APPROVAL OF THE DISTRIBUTION PROCESS  
AND OF THE CLASS ACTION'S LAWYERS FEES**

**The Group**

The bringing of a class action was authorized on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2009 by judgment of the Honourable Justice Eva Petras of the Superior Court, for the benefit of the natural persons forming part of the group hereinafter described, namely:

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For the purposes of the class action, the status of representative has been ascribed to **THE ELECTRONIC-RIGHTS DEFENCE COMMITTEE ERDC** and the status of designated member has been ascribed to **DAVID HOMEL**.

**The Settlements**

The class action has been settled with all the defendants which resulted in the creation of a fund comprising of 189,479 PNC.A Postmedia Network Canada Corp. voting shares and of \$83,210.27.

**The Proposed Distribution Plan**

The class representative proposes to distribute the shares between members of the group who will file a claim, after the payment of the class action lawyers' fees and the Fonds d'aide aux recours collectifs.

The amount received in money will be used primarily to pay the class action's costs, lawyers' fees and taxes. If needed, shares would be sold to pay these costs.

The proposed distribution plan provides that all members of the group wishing to make a claim within the class action, will have to file the Claim Form. The Claim Form, the proposed distribution plan and the draft of the motion for the approbation of the lawyers'

fees are attached to this email and available from the class action's lawyers or from the representative at the addresses and phone numbers below. The Claim Form will also be available on line at <http://www.erdcc.ca>.

The distribution of the shares will be done by the Electronic Rights Defence Committee ERDC without further cost for the members of the Group, except for the broker's fees and costs.

The proposed distribution plan will be submitted for the Court's approval.

### **The Legal Fees**

In accordance with the Professional Mandate and Agreement on Legal Fees between the representative and the class action lawyers, the latter will ask the Court to receive 25% of the shares and 25% of the money deposited in the fund after the settlements of the class action, including all applicable taxes.

The payment of these fees is subject to the approval of the Court.

### **The Approval of the Court**

The distribution plan and the class action lawyers' fees will be submitted for the Court's approval before Justice Eva Petras of the Superior Court of Quebec on **September 3, 2014 at 2:00 pm in room 15.07** of the Court House of Montreal situated at 1, Notre-Dame East;

All class members are invited to make representations to the Court on such date and place.

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