

## **Did you purchase a Gem Grade Diamond or Gem Grade Diamond Product between January 1, 1994 and October 14, 2016?**

**If so, apply now to receive money from a class action settlement.**

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### **WHAT IS A CLASS ACTION?**

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A class action is a lawsuit filed by one person on behalf of a large group of people with the same legal claims.

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### **WHAT IS THIS CLASS ACTION ABOUT?**

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Class actions were commenced in Canada alleging an unlawful conspiracy to fix prices for Gem Grade Diamonds.

Gem Grade Diamonds are diamonds that have been or could have been used in diamond jewellery or for investment purposes (as distinguished from diamonds used for industrial purposes).

Gem Grade Diamond Products are Rough Diamonds, Polished Diamonds, Diamond Jewellery, or any other products consisting of or containing one or more Gem Grade Diamonds. It excludes products containing man-made or industrial diamonds.

Rough Diamonds are Gem Grade Diamonds that are uncut and unpolished.

Polished Diamonds are Gem Grade Diamonds that have been cut and polished.

Diamond Jewelry is any decorative or functional adornment typically made of metals and containing one or more Gem Grade Diamonds. This includes, among other jewellery, diamond rings, earrings, necklaces, bracelets, watches and cufflinks.

A settlement totalling CAD\$9.4 million was reached with DeBeers (the "Defendant"). The settlement has received court approval in BC, Ontario and Quebec. The settlement is a compromise of disputed claims and is not an admission of liability. The settlement resolves the litigation in full.

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### **AM I ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE MONEY**

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You are eligible to receive money if you purchased Gem Grade Diamonds or Gem Grade Diamond Products between January 1, 1994 and October 14, 2016. You can claim with respect to all Gem Grade Diamonds or Gem Grade Diamond Products purchased, even if you did not purchase them from DeBeers.

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### **HOW MUCH MONEY WILL I RECEIVE?**

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The settlement funds (plus any costs awards and accrued interest and less approved fees and expenses) are available for distribution to eligible claimants.

Subject to further court order, claims submitted without proof of purchase will be paid approximately \$20.

After all claims limited to approximately \$20 are paid, the remainder of the settlement funds will be distributed on a proportional basis, based on the value of your claim relative to the value of all approved claims.

The value of your claim for the purpose of determining your share of the settlement funds will be calculated based on: (a) the dollar value of your purchases; and (b) your categorization as a Consumer or Reseller.

Visit [www.CanadianDiamondsClassAction.ca](http://www.CanadianDiamondsClassAction.ca) for more information.

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### **DO I NEED PROOF OF PURCHASE?**

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To be eligible to receive more than approximately \$20, you must provide purchase records or other documentation.

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### **HOW DO I APPLY TO RECEIVE A PAYMENT?**

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Claim Forms can be submitted online at [www.CanadianDiamondsClassAction.ca](http://www.CanadianDiamondsClassAction.ca). If you do not have internet access, call the Claims Administrator at 1-877-563-7614.

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### **WHAT IS THE DEADLINE FOR APPLYING TO RECEIVE PAYMENTS?**

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Claim Forms must be made no later than February 6, 2024

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### **WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY MONEY?**

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Accurate processing takes time. Depending on the number of applications filed, it could be up to one year before you receive compensation. Please check [www.CanadianDiamondsClassAction.ca](http://www.CanadianDiamondsClassAction.ca) for regular updates.

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### **WHO AM I REPRESENTED BY?**

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You are represented by: Camp Fiorante Matthews Mogerman LLP (Vancouver, BC), Siskinds LLP (London, ON), and Consumer Law Group (Montréal, QC).