

**SAMPLE LANGUAGE FOR FINAL APPROVAL ORDERS  
FOR CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENTS  
(RESIDUAL FUNDS)**

**Option 1: The Chicago Bar Foundation as Sole Recipient of Residual Funds**

[X]. Distribution of Residual Funds. The Court finds that **The Chicago Bar Foundation [and/or a qualifying legal aid organization]**<sup>1</sup> is an “Eligible Organization” (as that term is defined in 735 ILCS 5/2-807(a)). Pursuant to the parties’ Settlement Agreement, the Court directs that any “Residual Funds” (as that term is defined in 735 ILCS 5/2-807(a)) shall be distributed to The Chicago Bar Foundation in a timely manner *[and in any event no later than \_\_\_\_ calendar days from the date of this Order]* without further Order of Court.

**Option 2: The Chicago Bar Foundation as One of Multiple Recipients of Residual Funds**

[X]. Distribution of Residual Funds. Pursuant to the parties’ Settlement Agreement and 735 ILCS 5/2-807, any Residual Funds (as that term is defined in 735 ILCS 5/2-807(a)) from the Settlement shall be distributed as follows:

- a. The Court finds that The Chicago Bar Foundation is an “Eligible Organization” (as that term is defined in 735 ILCS 5/2-807(a)), and the Court directs that ***[insert a percentage of at least 50 %]*** of any Residual Funds from the Settlement shall be distributed to The Chicago Bar Foundation.
- b. The Court further finds that ***[insert name of entity]*** is ***[choose one: (1) an “Eligible Organization” (as that term is defined in 735 ILCS 5/2-807(a)); (2) a non-profit charitable organization and the parties have shown Good Cause for distributing Residual Funds from the Settlement to it; or (3) an organization that serves the public good by virtue of \_\_\_\_\_ and the parties have shown Good Cause for distributing Residual Funds from the Settlement to it]***, and the Court directs that a distribution of ***[insert percentage of 50% or less that when added to the percentage in paragraph “a” equals 100%]*** of the Residual Funds shall be made to ***[insert name of entity]***.
- c. These distributions shall be made in a timely manner *[and in any event no later than \_\_\_\_ calendar days from the date of this Order]* without further Order of Court.

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<sup>1</sup> The Chicago Bar Foundation supports all of the major pro bono and legal aid organizations serving the Chicago area; a variety of court-based advice desks and pro bono programs serving the state and federal courts; and several important statewide access to justice initiatives. The reverse side of this document has a list of the many qualifying organizations that the CBF supports along with other qualifying organizations that provide eligible services elsewhere in the state.

**Class Action Residual Funds Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-807:  
Qualifying CBF-Supported Pro Bono and Legal Aid Organizations\*\***

***The following pro bono and legal aid organizations receive organizational support grants from The Chicago Bar Foundation, and thus have been carefully vetted through a comprehensive grant review process. Awards of residuals funds to The Chicago Bar Foundation and to any of the organizations listed below alphabetically would be considered as qualifying for purposes of the new law. (For those organizations where CBF support is limited to a specific project--noted in italics--only awards that support that particular project would qualify). More information on each of these organizations is available on the CBF website, [www.chicagobarfoundation.org](http://www.chicagobarfoundation.org).***

Access Living - *Civil Rights Project*  
AIDS Legal Council of Chicago  
Cabrini Green Legal Aid  
CARPLS (Coordinated Advice & Referral Program for Legal Services)  
Center for Conflict Resolution  
Center for Disability and Elder Law (CDEL)  
Center for Economic Progress - *Midwest Tax Clinic*  
Centro Romero - *Latin American Legal Assistance Services*  
Chicago Coalition for the Homeless - *Law Project*  
Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law  
Chicago Legal Advocacy for Incarcerated Mothers (CLAIM)  
Chicago Legal Clinic  
Chicago Volunteer Legal Services (CVLS)  
Community Economic Development Law Project (CEDLP)  
Domestic Violence Legal Clinic  
Equip for Equality  
Family Defense Center  
Health & Disability Advocates  
Illinois Legal Aid Online  
James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy  
Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc. —*Midwest Regional Office*  
Latinos Progresando—*Immigrant Legal Services*  
Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing  
Lawyers for the Creative Arts  
Legal Aid Bureau of Metropolitan Family Services  
Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago (LAF)  
Life Span - *Center for Legal Services & Advocacy*  
Midwest Center on Law & the Deaf  
National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC)  
Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI)  
The Roger Baldwin Foundation of the ACLU – Children's Initiative  
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law  
Uptown People's Law Center  
Working Hands Legal Clinic

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***\*\* The organizations on this list represent the major pro bono and legal aid organizations providing services in Cook County, but this is not an exclusive list of the organizations eligible to receive cy pres awards under 735 ILCS 5/2-807. In addition, there are several qualifying organizations providing services outside of Cook County, including Prairie State Legal Services, Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation, DuPage Bar Legal Aid Service, Guardianship Referral & Services (Decatur), the Immigration Project (Granite City), the Kankakee Center for Conflict Resolution of the John R. Tate Advocacy Center, and the Will County Legal Assistance Program. The Illinois Bar Foundation provides funding for these services throughout the State and also is a qualifying organization under the Act.***