

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

LOUISIANA FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS' PENSION AND RETIREMENT FUND OF CHICAGO, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF PONTIAC POLICE & FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, and THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF PONTIAC GENERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

NORTHERN TRUST INVESTMENTS, N.A., and THE NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY,

Defendants.

Case No. 09 C 7203

Hon. Jorge L. Alonso

ORDER APPROVING PLAN OF ALLOCATION OF NET SETTLEMENT FUND

This matter came on for hearing on January 11, 2017 (the "Settlement Hearing") on Settling Plaintiffs' motion to determine whether the proposed plan of allocation of the Net Settlement Fund (the "Plan of Allocation") created by the Settlement of the remaining claims asserted in the above-captioned class action (the "Action") should be approved. The Court having considered all matters submitted to it at the Settlement Hearing and otherwise; and it appearing that notice of the Settlement Hearing substantially in the form approved by the Court was mailed to the Class Members, and that a summary notice of the hearing substantially in the form approved by the Court was published in *The Wall Street Journal* and was transmitted over the *PR Newswire* pursuant to the specifications of the Court; and the Court having considered and determined the fairness and reasonableness of the proposed Plan of Allocation,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. This Order incorporates by reference the definitions in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement of Class Action dated July 25, 2016 (the “Stipulation”) and unless otherwise defined in this Order, the capitalized terms herein shall have the same meaning as they have in the Stipulation.

2. The Court has jurisdiction to enter this Order and over the subject matter of the Action, as well as personal jurisdiction over the Settling Parties and each of the Class Members.

3. This Order incorporates and makes a part hereof the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Settlement Notice filed with the Court on December 7, 2016.

4. Notice of Settling Plaintiffs’ motion for approval of the proposed Plan of Allocation was provided to the Class. The form and method of notifying the Class of the motion for approval of the proposed Plan of Allocation satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), and all other applicable laws and rules, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all entities entitled thereto.

5. The Settlement Notice, which included the Plan of Allocation, was mailed to the Class Members and no objections to the proposed plan were received.

6. The Court hereby finds and concludes that the Plan of Allocation provides a fair and reasonable basis upon which to allocate the Net Settlement Fund among Class Members with due consideration having been given to administrative convenience and necessity.

7. The Court hereby finds and concludes that the Plan of Allocation is, in all respects, fair and reasonable to the Class. Accordingly, the Court hereby approves the Plan of Allocation proposed by Settling Plaintiffs.

8. There is no just reason for delay in the entry of this Order, and immediate entry by the

Clerk of the Court is expressly directed.

SO ORDERED.

ENTERED: January 11, 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' and 'A' with a horizontal line through them, enclosed within an oval shape.

JORGE L. ALONSO
United States District Judge