

**NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF A CLASS ACTION AGAINST WATCH TOWER BIBLE  
AND TRACT SOCIETY OF CANADA AND WATCH TOWER BIBLE AND TRACT  
SOCIETY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
500-06-000886-172**

**ARE YOU OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A JEHOVAH'S WITNESS?  
IF SO, A CLASS ACTION MAY CONCERN YOU  
PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY**

**AUTHORIZED CLASS ACTION**

On February 27, 2019, the Honourable Chantal Corriveau, a judge at the Superior Court sitting in the district of Montreal, authorized the plaintiff, Lisa Blais, to bring a class action against the defendants, Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Canada and Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Pennsylvania.

**ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE CLASS?**

The class action has been authorized on behalf of persons belonging to the following subclasses (collectively the "**Class**"):

*"All persons who are or were a Jehovah's Witness and who allege having been sexually abused as a minor by a Jehovah's Witness Elder in the province of Québec (the 'Elder Abuse Subclass')."*

*"All persons who are or were a Jehovah's Witness and who allege having been sexually abused as a minor by a Jehovah's Witness in the province of Québec (the 'Witness Abuse Subclass')."*

**THE PRINCIPAL CLAIMS**

The principal claims in this class action are the following:

**ORDER** the defendants, solidarily, to pay each member of the class a sum of \$150,000 as moral damages, plus interest at the legal rate and an additional indemnity;

**ORDER** the defendants, solidarily, to pay each member of the class a sum of pecuniary damages, to be determined during the trial, plus interest at the legal rate and an additional indemnity;

**ORDER** the defendants to pay every member of the class a sum of \$100,000 as punitive damages, plus interest at the legal rate and an additional indemnity.

## **INCLUSION**

You are automatically included in the class action if you are a member of the Class described above. You therefore do not have to do anything at this time if you wish to be represented by Lisa Blais and her attorneys. If you do nothing, you will be bound by any judgments rendered in this case, whether favourable or unfavourable.

## **HOW TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THIS CLASS ACTION?**

If you do not wish to be represented by Lisa Blais and bound by the judgments which will be rendered in connection with this class action, you must exclude yourself from the class action by no later than November 22, 2021.

## **STAY INFORMED**

If you think you are a member of the class action and would like to receive information on the progress of the case, you are invited to contact the plaintiff's attorneys. **Communications shall be free of charge, confidential and protected by professional secrecy.**

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A detailed notice relating to this class action, containing amongst other, the instructions for the exclusion of a member, is available at the registry of the Superior Court and on the website <https://www.classactions.ca>. In the event of any discrepancy, the detailed notice prevails.

**THE PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN ORDERED BY THE COURT**