

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

CHRISTINE POWELL, *et al.*,
individually and on behalf of all others
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SUBARU OF AMERICA, INC., *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:19-cv-19114-MJS

**ORDER GRANTING
PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED
MOTION FOR
ATTORNEYS' FEES,
REIMBURSEMENT OF
EXPENSES, AND SERVICE
AWARDS**

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Service Awards filed on January 16, 2025; and

The Court having reviewed Plaintiffs' moving papers, including Plaintiffs' brief and supporting declarations, as well as the case file; and

Good cause having been shown, for the reasons expressed herein and as further set forth in the Court's Final Approval Order approving the parties' Settlement Agreement;

**IT IS ON THIS _21st_ DAY OF ____April_____, 2025,
HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:**

1. Terms capitalized in this Order have the same meanings as those used in the Settlement Agreement.

2. The Notice Plan adequately and reasonably afforded Settlement Class Members the opportunity to respond to Plaintiffs' Motion for Attorneys' Fees,

Expenses, and Service Awards. The Court has considered and rejected any objections timely and properly submitted.

3. The Settlement confers substantial benefits on the Settlement Class Members.

4. Plaintiffs have submitted the joint Declaration of Peter A. Muhic, Russell D. Paul, and Edwin J. Kilpela, Jr., as Class Counsel in connection with Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Service Awards that adequately documents Class Counsel's vigorous and effective pursuit of the claims of Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class before this Court.

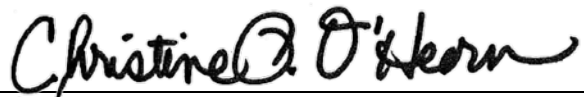
5. The Court finds the attorneys' fees and expenses in the amount of \$7.25 million to Class Counsel to be fair and reasonable and, in a matter of this level of complexity, consistent with the range of attorneys' fees awarded in this District and in the Third Circuit Court of Appeals using a hybrid approach combining the lodestar method and the percentage-of-recovery method. The Court finds that the expenses reported to the Court to date were necessary, reasonable, and proper in the pursuit of this Litigation. The Court further finds that under the terms of the Settlement, the award of attorneys' fees and expenses will not reduce or otherwise have any effect on the benefits made available to the Settlement Class.

6. The Court, therefore, grants attorneys' fees and expenses in the amount of \$7,250,000. Defendants shall pay the attorneys' fees and expenses in the time and manner specified in the Settlement Agreement.

7. The Court finds that Plaintiffs Jeffrey Barr, Arnold Milstein, Allan Zaback, and Brittany Funk devoted substantial time and energy to their duties as

Class Representatives. The Court further finds that under the terms of the Settlement, the payment of service awards will not reduce any benefits made available to the Settlement Class. The Court therefore grants service awards in the amount of \$5,000 to each of these Plaintiffs as the named Class Representatives for their contributions in this case. Defendants shall pay the service awards in the time and manner specified in the Settlement Agreement

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Hon. Christine P. O'Hearn
United States District Judge