



19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
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20TH DAY OF MARCH, 2026

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CITY BAR, INC, ET AL VS JOHN BEL EDWARDS, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS  
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

**CASE NUMBER:** C-703353

**JUDGE:** BEAU HIGGINBOTHAM

**DIVISION:** 22

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF THE FOLLOWING ACTION FOR THE

AFOREMENTIONED CASE: ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND A COPY OF AN UNOPPOSED  
REQUEST TO AMEND ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE OF CLASS CERTIFICATION,  
GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT,  
DIRECTING NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, AND FOR HEARING TO  
CONSIDER FINAL APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT SIGNED MARCH 11, 2026 BY JUDGE  
BEAU HIGGINBOTHAM

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19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
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STATE OF LOUISIANA

CITY BAR, INC., *et al.*, individually and on  
behalf of all others similarly situated

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOHN BEL EDWARDS, in his official capacity  
as Governor of the State of Louisiana

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 703,353

Section 22

Judge Beau M. Higginbotham

Jury Demand

**UNOPPOSED REQUEST TO AMEND ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE OF CLASS  
CERTIFICATION, GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS  
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, DIRECTING NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT,  
AND FOR HEARING TO CONSIDER FINAL APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT**

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NOW INTO COURT come Plaintiffs,<sup>1</sup> Class Representatives,<sup>2</sup> and Class Counsel, who  
move the Court to amend the Order entered February 25, 2026 (“Original Order”) (Exhibit A) to  
correct language in Paragraph 5 relating to the “Objection Deadline,” as follows:

1. Paragraph 5 of the Original Order describes the “Objection Deadline” as “the later of 45  
days from the date of the Settlement Administrator’s mailing of the Postcard Notice or 30

<sup>1</sup> “Plaintiffs” are City Bar, Inc., Rosie’s Tavern, LLC; Big Dan’s Bar, Inc.: Big Tyme Investments, LLC d/b/a Big Daddy’s Pub & Grub; CD Enterprises of Houma LLC d/b/a Larussa’s Lounge; CKBCPB5 LLC d/b/a the Chatter Box; DE & BC Enterprises, L.L.C. d/b/a D&B Sports Bar; Doug McCarthy Enterprises Inc. d/b/a 501; JOM LLC d/b/a Just One More; Longshotz 1, LLC d/b/a Longshotz; My Place Bar & Grill, L.L.C.; The Outer Limits Bar, LLC; Paradise Sports Bar & Daiquiris, LLC d/b/a Epic Lounge; Pool Do’s Sports Bar, LLP; R&J Lapeyrouse, LLC d/b/a Jeux’s New Horizon; R. Heasley, LLC d/b/a Ram Rod’s Saloon; Sandi’s Anchor Lounge, L.L.C. d/b/a Da Camp; Tap Dat, L.L.C. d/b/a the Brass Monkey; Topsy Cajun, LLC; Wanous, L.L.C. d/b/a AJ’s 2nd St. Pub; 910 E Main 33, LLC d/b/a Quarter Tavern; Gros Marine Services; Madisonville Riverside Bar, L.L.C.; and Swiderski Investments LLC d/b/a Lenny’s.

<sup>2</sup> “Class Representatives” are City Bar, Inc., Rosie’s Tavern, LLC, Madisonville Riverside Bar, LLC, R. Heasley, LLC d/b/a Ram Rod’s Saloon, Wanous, LLC d/b/a AJ’s 2nd Street Pub, and Sandi’s Anchor Lounge, LLC d/b/a Da Camp.

days from the date of the Class Member's signed receipt of the Short Form Notice, as provided in the Settlement Agreement."

2. In fact, the settlement will not involve use of a postcard via certified mail. Rather, notice will be provided, in part, via a "Short Form Notice" to be delivered by First Class mail.

Thus, Paragraph 5 should be amended to provide:

The procedure for lodging Objections to the Settlement as provided in the Settlement Agreement is approved. For the avoidance of doubt, any Class Member wishing to object to the Settlement Agreement must do so in writing prior to the Objection Deadline, 45 days from the date of the Settlement Administrator's mailing of the Short Form Notice.

3. For the sake of completeness and clarity, Movers respectfully submit a proposed Amended Order to replace the Original Order in its entirety.

Dated: March 4, 2026

Respectfully submitted by,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the above and foregoing was served on all counsel of record via e-mail only, as follows:

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Alexandria, Louisiana, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

/s/ Jimmy R. Faircloth, Jr.

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**19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
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**Judge Beau M. Higginbotham**

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**AMENDED ORDER (1) DIRECTING NOTICE OF CLASS CERTIFICATION, (2) GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT, (3) DIRECTING NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, AND (4) SCHEDULING FAIRNESS HEARING FOR FINAL APPROVAL**

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Upon consideration of Plaintiffs’ and Class Counsel’s Unopposed Motion for an Order: (i) directing notice of class certification as required by La. C.C.P. arts. 592(B); (ii) granting preliminary approval of Class Action Settlement Agreement and Release (“Settlement Agreement”); (iii); directing notice of the Settlement Agreement as required by 594(A)(2); (iv) granting approval of the process and related matters provided in the Settlement Agreement; and (iv) scheduling a hearing to determine whether the proposed settlement is “fair, reasonable, and adequate for the class” as required by La. C.C.P. art. 594(E), is hereby,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that:

1. Notice of the (a) Judgment rendered July 8, 2025 granting Class Certification and appointing Class Counsel and Class Representatives and (b) Settlement Agreement shall be provided to all Class Members through use of the Long Form Notice and Short Form Notice as provided in Section IV of the Settlement Agreement and the Settlement Website as defined in Paragraph 32 of the Settlement Agreement.
2. Within 14 days from the date of this Order, Class Counsel shall establish the Settlement Website as provided in Paragraph 31 of the Settlement Agreement.
3. The procedure for Opting-out of the Class under Section V of the Settlement Agreement is approved. To reiterate: Any Class Member wishing to opt-out of the Class must individually request exclusion from the Class by use of the Opt-out Form and instructions

provided in the Settlement Agreement. The completed Opt-out Form must be post-marked or submitted online no later than 45 days from the date of this Order.

4. The Settlement Agreement, including all exhibits thereto, is preliminarily approved by the Court as fair, reasonable and adequate, as negotiated and entered into at arm's-length, in good faith, and free of collusion to the detriment of the Class, and as being in the range of possible judicial approval at a prospective Fairness Hearing.
5. The procedure for lodging Objections to the Settlement as provided in the Settlement Agreement is approved. For the avoidance of doubt, any Class Member wishing to object to the Settlement Agreement must do so in writing prior to the Objection Deadline, 45 days from the date of the Settlement Administrator's mailing of the Short Form Notice.
6. The Claim Form and the Claims Process as provided in the Settlement Agreement are approved.
7. Eisner Advisory Group is appointed as the Settlement Administrator.
8. The Settlement Administration process provided in the Settlement Agreement is approved.
9. A formal Fairness Hearing shall take place before the Nineteenth Judicial District Court for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, the Honorable Beau M. Higginbotham, at 300 North Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801, Division 22, Courtroom Room 10D on May 12, 2026 at 9 am, in order to consider comments and objections to the proposed Settlement Agreement, whether to approve the settlement as fair, reasonable and adequate pursuant to La. C.C.P. art. 954(E), and whether to enter a Final Approval Order.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

 3/11/2026

**HONORABLE BEAU M. HIGGINBOTHAM**  
**19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, DIVISION 22**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ON THIS DAY A COPY OF THE WRITTEN REASONS FOR JUDGMENT / JUDGMENT / ORDER / COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION WAS MAILED BY ME WITH SUFFICIENT POSTAGE AFFIXED. SEE ATTACHED LETTER FOR LIST OF RECIPIENTS.

DONE AND MAILED ON March 23, 2026

*Approved as to form and content.*

  
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