

19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE  
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

**ORDER AWARDING PLAINTIFF SERVICE FEES, APPROVING ADMINISTRATIVE FEES, RE-OPEING CLAIMS DEADLINE, AND AMENDING PAYMENT TIMELINES**

**THIS MATTER** having come before the Court on oral motion of Class Counsel (unopposed) as part of a request for final approval of a Class Action Settlement Agreement and Release (“Settlement Agreement”), and for written reasons separately assigned,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Settlement Administrator shall pay to each individually named Plaintiff a service fee in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Settlement Fund;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Settlement Administrator’s outstanding fees in the amount of \$35,109.92 shall be paid from the Settlement Fund;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that all payment deadlines in the Settlement Agreement shall commence upon the actual funding of the Settlement Fund; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the period for submitting a Claim Form is reopened until June 30, 2026, which shall constitute the final Claims Deadline under the Settlement Agreement.

Approved in open court this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026, and signed in Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana on the \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2026.



5/13/2026

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

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DONE AND MAILED ON May 14, 2026

  
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*Approved as to form and content.*

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