$50 Million Disney Streaming TV Settlement Opens Claims Process for Eligible Subscribers

YouTube TV and DirecTV streaming subscribers who purchased qualifying subscriptions between April 1, 2019, and March 31, 2026, may be eligible to submit claims under a proposed antitrust class action settlement.

Sheridan, Wyoming Aug 21, 2026 (Issuewire.com) - A proposed **$50 million partial settlement** has been announced in **Biddle, et al. v. The Walt Disney Company, Case No. 5:22-cv-07317-EJD**, pending in the **United States District Court for the Northern District of California**. The settlement applies to certain purchasers of YouTube TV and DirecTV streaming services. Claims must be submitted online or postmarked by **September 8, 2026**.

The lawsuit alleges that The Walt Disney Company violated federal antitrust law and various state antitrust and consumer-protection laws through conduct that raised, maintained, or stabilized the prices of streaming live pay television services. Plaintiffs allege that this conduct caused subscribers to pay higher prices for services including YouTube TV and DirecTV Stream. Disney denies the allegations and denies any wrongdoing or liability. The court has not ruled that Disney violated the law.

The settlement covers two groups. The **YouTube TV Settlement Class** includes people and entities that purchased a YouTube TV subscription between April 1, 2019, and March 31, 2026. The **DirecTV Stream Settlement Class** includes people and entities that purchased a DirecTV streaming live television subscription during the same period, including subscriptions marketed as DirecTV Stream, DirecTV Now, or AT&T TV Now.

The settlement is partial because claims brought by FuboTV plaintiffs have not been resolved through this agreement. The settlement notice applies only to the YouTube TV and DirecTV Stream portions of the litigation.

If the settlement receives final approval, Disney will pay **$50 million** to resolve the released claims of participating settlement class members. After court-approved attorneys' fees, administration expenses, service awards, and other permitted costs are deducted, the remaining amount will be distributed to eligible claimants.

Eligible claimants who submit valid and timely claim forms may receive **pro rata cash payments based on the length of their qualifying YouTube TV and/or DirecTV Stream subscriptions**. The final payment for each claimant is not currently fixed and will depend on factors including the number of approved claims, the claimant's subscription history, applicable state law, and the amount remaining in the net settlement fund. Claimants with qualifying subscriptions to both services may include both subscriptions on one claim form.

The settlement divides the net fund between subscribers in two jurisdiction groups. Ninety percent of the net settlement fund will be allocated to class members who resided in specified "Repealer Jurisdictions" during the class period, while 10 percent will be allocated to class members in the remaining jurisdictions. This allocation may affect individual payment amounts.

In addition to the monetary relief, Disney has agreed to certain non-monetary commitments related to its business practices. The detailed terms of those commitments are contained in the settlement agreement and related court documents.

The parties agreed to settle without a trial. According to the settlement notice, class counsel concluded that the agreement provided benefits to the settlement classes while avoiding the costs, delays, risks, and uncertainty associated with continued antitrust litigation. Disney agreed to the settlement to avoid the expense, inconvenience, and distraction of further litigation while continuing to deny wrongdoing.

The deadline to submit a claim or request exclusion from the settlement is **September 8, 2026**. Objections must be filed by **December 1, 2026**. The final approval hearing is currently scheduled for **January 14, 2027, at 9:00 a.m.** before Judge Edward J. Davila in San Jose, California. The hearing date and format may change, and class members should review the official settlement website for updates.

Sparrow, a platform that tracks class action and settlement deadlines, has published a summary of the Disney streaming television settlement to help consumers review publicly available information concerning eligibility, claim deadlines, and settlement benefits. Sparrow is not the settlement administrator, class counsel, or legal counsel in this matter. Consumers should rely on the official settlement website and court-approved documents for complete terms and instructions.

The settlement administrator can be contacted by telephone at **1-877-704-2517**, by email at info@OnlineTVSettlement.com, or by mail at:

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