

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE**

**JODY GEMMEL,
RENEE HAYDEN-RASMUSSEN
AND DENNIS RASMUSSEN,
on behalf of themselves and
all others similarly situated,**

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 24-005256-NZ
Hon. John H. Gillis Jr.

CITY OF TRENTON,

Defendant.

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At a session of the Wayne County Circuit Court
held in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State
of Michigan, on 1/21/2026, 2025

PRESENT: HON. John H. Gillis, Jr.
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

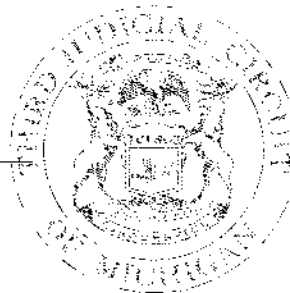
This matter having come before the Court on Plaintiffs' Motion for Certification of Case as a Class Action and Defendant's Motion for Leave to Amend its Responses to Plaintiffs' First Request for Admissions and Second Request for Production of Documents with Briefs and Memorandums submitted and Oral Argument entertained:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification is granted for the reasons stated on the record in open court.
2. The following Plaintiffs' Class is created:
 - a. Any person and entity in the City of Trenton, Michigan, who timely filed a written Notice of Claim pursuant to MCL 691.1419 on Defendant City of Trenton claiming they sustained a sewage disposal system event on or about August 23-24, 2023.
 - b. Any person and entity in the City of Trenton, Michigan, who timely notified the City of Trenton, orally or in writing, they sustained a sewage disposal system event on or about August 23-24, 2023, and were not provided written instructions from the City of Trenton on how to comply with MCL 691.1419(1).
3. Plaintiffs Dubin Law, PLLC, is appointed as Class Counsel.
4. Class Counsel shall serve via First-Class Mail, the attached Notice of Class Certification (Exhibit 1) on each Putative Class Member at the addresses identified in Exhibit 2.
5. Each Putative Class Member shall have 45 days in which to opt out of the Putative Class.
6. Defendant's Motion for Leave to Amend its Responses to Plaintiffs' First Request for Admissions and Second Request for Production of Documents is granted for the reasons stated on the record.

This Order does not resolve all pending matters of the parties.

/s/ John H. Gillis, Jr.
January 21, 2026
Circuit Court Judge



Approved as to form only:

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EXHIBIT 1

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION OF CLASS ACTION

If you timely filed a written Notice of Claim pursuant to MCL 691.1419 with the City of Trenton claiming that you sustained a sewage disposal system event on or about August 23-24, 2023, OR if you timely notified the City of Trenton, either orally or in writing, that you sustained such an event and were not provided written instructions by the City of Trenton regarding how to comply with MCL 691.1419(1), you may be member of the class.

Please read this Notice carefully, as it affects your legal rights.

*The Circuit Court for Wayne County, Michigan, authorized this notice.
This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.*

Your legal rights are affected whether you act or don't act. Please read this Notice carefully.

Your Legal Rights and Options in this Class Action	
DO NOTHING	If you satisfy the Class definition in paragraph 4 and do nothing, you will automatically be included in the Class. This means you are bound by the Court's orders in the case (whether the Class wins or loses) and give up your right to file your own lawsuit against the City of Trenton concerning the claims in this case.
EXCLUDE YOURSELF	If you exclude yourself, you will no longer be a Class Member. This means if the Class wins or settles, you will not be eligible for the benefits or relief. It also means that Class Counsel will not represent you, and statutes of limitations and other defenses may bar your individual claims. You must request exclusion no later than _____.

- 1. LITIGATION:** The lawsuit (Jody Gemmel, et. al. v. City of Trenton, No. 24-005256-NZ, Circuit Court for Trenton County, Michigan) was filed on April 9, 2024, and concerns the August 23-24, 2023 flooding within the City of Trenton, Michigan.

The lawsuit alleges that the August 23-24, 2023 flooding within the City of Trenton occurred because of the City of Trenton's (the City) negligent maintenance, operation and/or design of the sewer system.

- 2. DEFENDANT'S POSITION:** The City has denied and continues to deny all charges of wrongdoing or liability arising out of the allegations and claims asserted in the lawsuit. The City asserts that it has acted at all times in accordance with its obligations under the law and that it did not cause the August 23-24, 2023, flooding within the City of Trenton.
- 3. PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE:** This Notice is designed to inform members of the classes defined below of the pendency of the litigation, the certification of the class and to describe class members' rights and options.

4. **CLASSES:** On January 8, 2026, the Court certified the following class:

Any person and entity in the City of Trenton, Michigan, who timely filed a written Notice of Claim pursuant to MCL 691.1419 on Defendant City of Trenton claiming they sustained a sewage disposal system event on or about August 23-24, 2023.

Any person and entity in the City of Trenton, Michigan, who timely notified the City of Trenton, orally or in writing, they sustained a sewage disposal system event on or about August 23-24, 2023, and were not provided written instructions from the City of Trenton on how to comply with MCL 691.1419(1).

To represent the Class, the Court has appointed the following attorneys to serve as Class Counsel: Dubin Law, PLLC. You may contact Lead Class Counsel at (734) 821-9279 or info@dubinlawpllc.com

5. **YOUR OPTIONS:** If you qualify as a member of the Class, you have the following options:

a) **REMAIN A CLASS MEMBER:** If you want to remain a member in the Class, you do not have to do anything. As a class member, you will be bound by the Court's orders and the judgment in the case (whether the Class wins or losses) and give up your right to file your own lawsuit against the City concerning the claims in this case. You will be represented by the Class Counsel identified in paragraph 4 above.

b) **REQUEST TO BE EXCLUDED:** If you do **not** want to stay in the Class, then you must send a written notice of your request to exclude yourself from the Class, so that it is received no later than _____ to Dubin Law, PLLC, 2723 South State Street Suite 150, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Your exclusion must include (i) your full name, current address, and telephone number; (ii) the address of the property that you owned and/or resided in on August 23-24, 2023; (iii) a statement that you request exclusion from the Class in the August 23-24, 2023 Flood Class Action, No. 24-005256-NZ; and (iv) your signature. If you validly and timely request exclusion from the Class, (i) you will be excluded from the Class; (ii) you will not be bound by the Court's orders or the judgment in the case (iii) you will not be eligible for the benefits or relief the Class wins or settles; and (iv) Class Counsel will not be representing you and there are statutes of limitations that may bar your individual claims.

6. **EXAMINATION OF PAPERS FILED IN THE CASE:** This Notice is a summary and does not describe all details of the lawsuit. For full details of the matters discussed in this Notice, you may contact Lead Class Counsel at (734) 821-9279 or info@dubinlawpllc.com

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS NOTICE.

Dated: January 20, 2026

Honorable John H. Gillis Jr.
Judge, Circuit Court for Wayne,
County, Michigan

EXHIBIT 2

3595 Tanglewood St
3086 Concord St
3349 Sherwood St
2860 Maxwell St
5070 Hillcrest Ct
4055 Grange Rd
2963 Grange Rd
2330 Nichols St
3285 N Margarett Ct
2417 Newman St
2380 Nichols St
3155 Concord St
3283 Grange Rd
2411 Westfield Rd
3437 Norwood Dr
3303 Grange Rd
23200 Blugrass Dr
4632 Valley Rd
3290 Maxwell St
3835 Grange Rd
2424 Newman St
2470 Churchill Ave
2874 Concord St
3965 Grange Rd
2924 Concord St
3309 Sherwood Ave
4075 Grange Rd
2349 Churchill Ave
3601 Marian Dr
2983 Grange Rd
2993 Grange Rd
2834 5th St
2973 Grange Rd
3234 N Stella Ct
2213 Glenwood St
2833 Harrison Ave
2265 Northfield St
2865 Harrison Ave

4752 Valley Rd
4632 Valley Rd
3405 Anna Ct
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2995 Anna Ct
2965 Anna Ct
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2242 Ashby St
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3421 Brookshire St
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3821 Brookshire St
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1708 Camelot Dr
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2572 Chelsea St
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4777 Jackson St
5006 Jackson St
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3210 Justin Dr
1870 Kenwood St
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3740 Lodge Lane
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