

In re Disposable Contact Lens Antitrust Litigation

Consumer, Privacy & Antitrust

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Background	Plaintiffs alleged claims for horizontal and vertical conspiracies in violation of state and federal antitrust laws due to unilateral pricing policies of four leading contact lens manufacturers.
Court	U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
Case Number	15-MD-02626
Status	Settled

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Plaintiffs allege claims for horizontal and vertical conspiracies in violation of state and federal antitrust laws due to unilateral pricing policies of four leading contact lens manufacturers. Plaintiffs have settled with Defendant CooperVision, Inc. for \$3 million and with Defendant Bausch & Lomb for \$10 million. Plaintiffs have also sought final approval of a proposed \$30.2 million settlement with ABB Optical Group LLC.

In total, Plaintiffs have reached settlements in excess of \$118 million on behalf of U.S. contact lens purchasers, resolving this antitrust class action against the four dominant manufacturers and the largest nationwide distributor of contact lenses.