



1 WHEREAS, the above-styled Action was filed on February 8, 2016;

2 WHEREAS, this Court has reviewed, considered, and held a hearing on the Stipulation of Settlement  
3 (“Stipulation”) entered into between Plaintiffs Christina Harvey and Anthony Logan, on behalf of the  
4 class, and Dyrius Groomes, Tyrie Dedrick, Armond Person, and Deron Hollins, on behalf of themselves  
5 (all of whom are collectively, “Plaintiffs”), on the one hand, and Check Into Cash, Inc. and Check Into  
6 Cash of California, Inc. (collectively, “Check Into Cash”), on the other hand, and filed with this Court,  
7 together with all exhibits thereto, the record in this case, including supplemental papers filed, and the  
8 arguments of counsel;

9 WHEREAS, this Court preliminarily finds that, for purposes of approving this settlement only, the  
10 proposed Class meets all the prerequisites of California Code of Civil Procedure §382 and California  
11 Civil Code §1781, including numerosity, ascertainability, community of interest, predominance of  
12 common issues, superiority and typicality, and that Plaintiffs Christina Harvey and Anthony Logan and  
13 Class Counsel are adequate representatives of the Class (as defined below); and

14 WHEREAS, the Action was settled as a result of arm’s-length negotiations, investigation and  
15 discovery sufficient to permit counsel and the Court to act knowingly, and counsel are experienced in  
16 similar litigation,

17 THEREFORE, for good cause appearing, it is hereby ordered as follows:

18 1. The Court hereby preliminarily approves the Stipulation as filed with the Court and the terms and  
19 conditions of settlement set forth in the Stipulation and as modified as set forth in the supplemental  
20 declarations of Mark Mazda and Marina Foley, and all the supplemental documents filed in supporting  
21 of the motion for preliminary approval of class action settlement, subject to further consideration at the  
22 Final Approval Hearing. All capitalized terms and definitions used herein have the same meanings as  
23 set forth in the Stipulation.

24 2. Pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure §382, California Civil Code §1781, and  
25 California Rules of Court, Rule 3.769(c) and (d), the Court hereby preliminarily approves for settlement  
26 purposes only a Class consisting of:

27 all African Americans (or Blacks) who have entered into a locked Check Into Cash store in the  
28 State of California from February 9, 2012 to the present.

1 3. Notice of the Settlement as set forth in the Stipulation should be given to the Class Members.

2 4. Having considered the Class Notice provided by the Parties, the Court hereby approves the  
3 contents and form of the Class Notice attached to the Second Supplemental Mazda Declaration as  
4 Exhibit A thereto.

5 5. The Parties are hereby authorized to administer and supervise the Notice Plan as more fully set  
6 forth in the Stipulation and all the supplemental papers filed.

7 6. The Court finds that the notice to the Class Members regarding settlement of this Action,  
8 including the method of dissemination to the Class Members in accordance with the terms of the  
9 Stipulation, the Supplemental Mazda Declaration, the Second Supplemental Mazda Declaration, and this  
10 Order constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances and constitute valid, due and  
11 sufficient notice to all Class Members, complying fully with the requirements of California Code of  
12 Civil Procedure §382, California Civil Code §1781, California Rules of Court, Rule 3.766, the  
13 California and United States Constitutions, and any other applicable law.

14 7. Objections by any Class Member to: (a) the proposed settlement contained in the Stipulation and  
15 described in the Class Notice; (b) the reimbursement of expenses and an award of attorneys' fees and/or  
16 the service or enhancement awards; and/or (c) entry of the Judgment, shall be heard, and any papers  
17 submitted in support of said objections shall be considered by the Court at the Final Approval Hearing

18 only if, on or before ~~January 11, 2022~~ ~~Re: at AFEGG~~, such objector files with the Clerk of the Superior Court of the  
19 County of Los Angeles: (1) a written notice of his or her objection, including stating the case name and  
20 case number, basis for such objection, supporting authority (if applicable), his or her full name, current  
21 address, telephone number, signature, and whether he or she is represented by his or her own counsel;  
22 and (2) if applicable, a statement of his or her intention to appear at the Final Approval Hearing. The  
23 objector must also serve copies of the foregoing and all other papers in support of such objections on  
24 counsel for the Parties as identified in the Class Notice, and otherwise comply with the requirements for  
25 objection as set forth in the Class Notice. In order to be considered for hearing, all objections must be  
26 actually received by the Court and counsel identified in the Class Notice on or before ~~January 11, 2022~~ ~~Re: at AFEGG~~

27 An objecting Class Member need not appear at the Final Approval Hearing in order for his or her  
28 objection to be considered.

1 8. Any Class Member who wishes to opt out of the Class must mail or deliver a written request for  
2 exclusion to counsel for the Parties that is actually received by counsel no later than ~~January 11, 2022.~~  
3 The written request must state the Class Member's full name, current address, and telephone number,  
4 that the Class Member requests exclusion from the Class, and it must be signed by the Class Member,  
5 and otherwise comply with the requirements for exclusion as set forth in the Class Notice. Any Class  
6 Member who does not submit a valid and timely request for exclusion will be bound by the Settlement,  
7 judgment and orders in this Action.

8 9. No later than 14 days before the Final Approval Hearing, Plaintiffs shall file their opening papers  
9 in support of their motion for final approval of the Settlement. No later than five (5) calendar days before  
10 the Final Approval Hearing, the Parties shall file responses to any valid and timely objections.

11 10. Any Class Member may enter an appearance in the Action, individually or through the counsel  
12 of his or her choice at his or her expense. Notices of Appearance must be filed with the Court and served  
13 on the Parties' counsel identified in the Class Notice on or before ~~January 11, 2022.~~

14 11. The Stipulation provides that the Law Office of Mark Mazda is the Counsel to represent the  
15 Class. The Court hereby designates the Law Office of Mark Mazda as Class Counsel.

16 12. ~~The Final Approval Hearing shall be held by the Court on February 1, 2022, at 11:00 a.m., in~~  
17 Department 12 of the Superior Court for the County of Los Angeles, Spring Street Courthouse, 312  
18 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, to consider and determine: whether the proposed  
19 settlement of the Action on the terms set forth in the Stipulation should be approved as fair, just,  
20 reasonable, adequate and in the best interests of the Class; the application for Class Representative  
21 service or enhancement awards; the application for Class Counsel's attorneys' fees and costs; and  
22 whether the Judgment approving the Settlement and dismissing the Action on the merits and with  
23 prejudice against Plaintiffs and all Class Members should be entered.

24 13. The Final Approval Hearing may, from time to time and without further notice to the Class  
25 Members (except those who have filed timely and valid objections), be continued or adjourned by order  
26 of the Court.

27 14. Counsel for the Parties are hereby authorized to utilize all reasonable procedures in connection  
28 with the administration of the Settlement that are not materially inconsistent with either this Order or

1 the terms of the Stipulation.

2 15. If for any reason the Court does not execute and file an Order Granting Final Approval, the  
3 Stipulation and the proposed settlement that is the subject of this Order, and all evidence and  
4 proceedings had in connection therewith, shall be restored without prejudice to the status quo ante rights  
5 of the Parties to the litigation, as more specifically set forth in the Stipulation.

6 16. Pending further order of this Court, all proceeding in this matter, except those contemplated  
7 herein and in the Stipulation, are hereby stayed.

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9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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11 Dated: 11/23/2021



*Carolyn B. Kuhl*

**Carolyn B. Kuhl / Judge**

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The Honorable Carolyn B. Kuhl  
Superior Court Judge

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