

LEGAL NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT
GREY V. HASBROUCK, 11 CH 17091, Circuit Court of Cook County

Plaintiffs are transsexual persons born in Illinois who were denied a change in the sex designation on their Illinois birth certificate by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) because they had not undergone genital reconstruction surgery. Plaintiffs filed a class action suit on behalf of themselves and other similarly situated persons against the Director of IDPH alleging that IDPH's denial of their applications violated Illinois law and the Illinois Constitution. IDPH expressly denied that its actions violated Illinois law and the Illinois Constitution.

The Court has certified a class of: All persons with an existing Illinois birth record who are or will be unable to obtain an Illinois birth certificate with the sex designation that matches their internal sense of gender solely because of Defendant's refusal to issue birth certificates with a revised sex designation to persons who have not had genital reconstruction surgery.

The parties have now reached a settlement of this case, subject to final court approval. Under the proposed settlement, IDPH will no longer deny applications for new birth certificates solely because the person has not had genital reconstruction surgery. The Circuit Court of Cook County has scheduled a hearing to decide whether to approve this settlement. The hearing will be held on October 23, 2012, at 10 a.m., in the courtroom of Judge Michael B. Hyman, Room 2405 of the Richard J. Daley Center, Chicago, Illinois.

If you believe that you are a member of this class, you may file written comments or objections to the proposed settlement with the Clerk of the Court and counsel for the Plaintiff class. For more information or to see a copy of the proposed settlement, visit the ACLU of Illinois' website, www.aclu-il.org, or contact counsel for the Plaintiff class:

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