

## CLASS ACTION SUMMARY

**EUROPEAN GOVERNMENT BONDS  
ANTITRUST CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENTS****DID YOUR BUSINESS PURCHASE  
OR SELL ONE OR MORE EUROPEAN  
GOVERNMENT BONDS?****YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RECOVER MONEY!****ELIGIBILITY SUMMARY**Fund Amount:  
**\$13 Million**Purchase Dates:  
**January 1, 2007 -  
December 31, 2012**Filing Deadline:  
**April 26, 2023***\*See "case history" section for  
additional details.***Eligible Class Members:**

*Eligible class members include all persons and/or entities (excluding the United States Government) who or which purchased or sold one or more "European Government Bond(s)" (Euro-denominated sovereign debt or bonds issued by European governments) in the United States directly from a "Defendant" (listed below) or a direct or indirect parent, subsidiary, affiliate, or division of a Defendant, or any of their alleged co-conspirators, from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2012.*

*This definition does not exclude "Investment Vehicles" which means: (i) any company or pooled investment fund in which a Defendant has or may have a direct or indirect interest, or as to which its affiliates may act as an investment advisor, but of which a Defendant or its respective affiliates is not a majority owner or does not hold a majority beneficial interest, including, but not limited to mutual fund families, exchange-traded funds, fund of funds, and hedge funds; and (ii) any employee benefit plan as to which a Defendant or its affiliates acts as an investment advisor or otherwise may be a fiduciary; provided, however, that under no circumstances may a Defendant (or any of its direct or indirect parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, or divisions) receive a distribution from the settlement fund or any subsequent settlement(s) through an Investment Vehicle.*

**Defendants:**

*The Defendants include: 1) Bank of America, N.A. and Merrill Lynch International (collectively, "Bank of America"); 2) Natixis S.A. ("Natixis"); 3) NatWest Markets plc (f/k/a Royal Bank of Scotland plc) and NatWest Markets Securities Inc. (f/k/a RBS Securities Inc.) (collectively, "RBS"); 4) Nomura Securities International Inc. and Nomura International PLC (collectively, "Nomura"); 5) UBS AG, UBS Europe SE, and UBS Securities LLC f/k/a UBS Warburg LLC (collectively, "UBS"); 6) UniCredit Bank AG and UniCredit Capital Markets LLC (collectively, "UniCredit"); 7) Citigroup Global Markets Limited and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (collectively, "Citigroup"); 8) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., J.P. Morgan Securities plc (f/k/a J.P. Morgan Securities Ltd.), and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (f/k/a J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.) (collectively, "JPMorgan"); 9) RBC Europe Limited f/k/a Royal Bank of Canada Europe Limited, Royal Bank of Canada, and RBC Capital Markets, LLC (f/k/a Dain Rauscher Inc.) (collectively, "RBC"); 10) Jefferies International Limited and Jefferies LLC (f/k/a Jefferies & Company, Inc.) (collectively, "Jefferies"); and 11) State Street Corporation and State Street Bank and Trust Company (collectively, "State Street").*

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Commencing in 2019, a class action lawsuit was filed alleging the Defendants and their co-conspirators conspired to fix the prices of European Government Bonds by agreeing to widen the bid-ask spreads they quoted to investors, thereby artificially increasing the prices investors paid for European Government Bonds or artificially decreasing the prices at which investors sold the bonds in violation of federal antitrust laws. At this time, the class has entered into a settlement with JPMorgan in the total amount of \$13 million. The class also entered into a settlement with State Street wherein State Street agreed to cooperate with the plaintiffs without paying into a settlement fund. The settlements are pending final Court approval. The settlement funds (less any expenses and fees) will be distributed to the Class after the claims process is completed. The litigation is currently ongoing against the remaining Defendants so it is possible that additional funds may become available to the class if any additional settlements are reached. No Claim Forms are available at this time; a claim filing deadline of April 26, 2023 has been approved by the Court.

**Class Counsel or the Settlement Administrator may be contacted for additional settlement information.**

**You also may visit the Court-approved website once one is made available.**

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