

Class Action Summary

da Vinci Surgical Robot Service
Antitrust Class Action

***This is not an official Court Notice. Information contained in this Summary is subject to change.
There is no monetary settlement at this time.***

If your entity purchased da Vinci Surgical Robot System service and/or EndoWrists from Intuitive Surgical, Inc. on or after **May 21, 2017**, antitrust class action lawsuits alleging price fixing may affect you.

Eligible Class Members: If certified, eligible Class Members are all entities (excluding all government entities) that, from May 21, 2017 to the present, purchased da Vinci Surgical Robot System (hereafter, “da Vinci” and defined below) service and/or “EndoWrists” (brand name of da Vinci surgical instruments) from Intuitive Surgical, Inc. (hereafter, “Intuitive”) in the United States.

Definition of “da Vinci”: The da Vinci is a minimally invasive soft tissue surgical robot and may be used to perform a variety of surgical procedures including general, gynecologic, urologic, cardiothoracic, and head and neck surgeries.

Case History: In 2021, class action lawsuits were filed in the Northern District of California alleging Intuitive willfully acquired and maintained monopoly power in the da Vinci and EndoWrist service aftermarket (through tying the sale of da Vincis to the service of the robot and any necessary robot instruments) in violation of federal antitrust laws. It is impossible to predict the outcome, but money may become available to eligible class members if the class is certified and a settlement is reached with Intuitive in the future. FRS will update this Summary as the case progresses and new information becomes available.

**If a monetary settlement is obtained, information about it will be available from Class Counsel.
You also may visit the Court-approved website once one is established.**

Please understand that you have the right to file on your own if and when there is a monetary settlement.

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