



What is the CDP class action?

Some lawyers called **Maurice Blackburn** are going to court against the Commonwealth government. They will ask the court to make the government pay compensation money. This is for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who worked for the dole in the CDP from July 2015 to May 2021. 'Class action' means Maurice Blackburn will go to court on behalf of the group of people.

Most people in CDP were Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people. Many people on CDP only got Centrelink money if they worked five days every week. Another name for this is 'work for the dole'. People who didn't turn up got fines or got cut off from Centrelink.

This court case is about racial discrimination.

The lawyers say that CDP was aimed against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

People on CDP had to work long hours and they got lots of fines from Centrelink.

People in the city, mostly non-Indigenous people, worked less hours and got less fines.



Do I need to do anything?

No. You do not need to register.

Do I need to pay any money for this class action?

No, you will not pay any of your own money for this case.

Maurice Blackburn and another company are paying for the lawyers and other people to work on this class action.

Maybe we will win the court case, or maybe the government will agree to pay compensation money.

Maybe you will get some compensation money. Some of the money from the

government will go to Maurice Blackburn and the other company, who are paying for this work.

The judge will decide how much money goes to pay for the work on this court case.

You will not pay any of your own money for this case.

Maybe we will lose the class action, but you still won't pay anything.

You can read more on the internet:

mauriceblackburn.com.au/cdp



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