

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

In re Flint Water Cases.

Judith E. Levy
United States District Judge

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This Order Relates To:

ALL CASES

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**ORDER AUTHORIZING THE SPECIAL MASTER TO BEGIN
THE PROCESS OF DISTRIBUTING PARTIAL PAYMENTS FOR
ELIGIBLE ADULT INJURY CLAIMS AS SET FORTH IN THE
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION [3502]**

Having reviewed the *Report and Recommendation of the Special Master Requesting Authorization to Begin the Process of Distributing Partial Payments for Eligible Adult Injury Claims in Accordance with the ASA* (ECF No. 3502),

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Special Master is authorized to direct the claims administrator and the Distribution Vendor to begin the process of distributing payments to eligible claimants with approved adult injury claims through the first of two installments.

- a. The first installment shall be an initial, conservative payment, which allows for final adjustments to the total awards after all decisions are finalized. Such payments may begin as soon as practicable. The partial payment calculations will be conducted in accordance with the parameters outlined in the November 21, 2025 *Report and Recommendation of the Special Master Requesting Authorization to Finalize the Terms of Distribution of the Settlement Fund, for Implementation of Payment Process, and to Establish the Allocation Methodology in Accordance with the ASA for Distribution of Funds Pursuant to the ASA* (ECF No. 3359).
 - b. The second and final installment will be the remainder of the total amount payable to each eligible adult injury claimant, to be paid after all appeals and the value of the Settlement Fund assets are finalized.
2. After payments of the first installments payable to eligible adult injury claimants have commenced, the Special Master is authorized to direct the claims administrator and the Distribution Vendor to begin the process of distributing payments to eligible minor injury claimants

who are now adults and do not wish to take advantage of the trust or structure options. Such payments shall follow the same installment structure as the adult injury claim payments.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 23, 2026
Ann Arbor, Michigan

s/Judith E. Levy
JUDITH E. LEVY
United States District Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing document was served upon counsel of record and any unrepresented parties via the Court's ECF System to their respective email or first-class U.S. mail addresses disclosed on the Notice of Electronic Filing on March 23, 2026.

s/William Barkholz
WILLIAM BARKHOLZ
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