

SUPPLEMENTAL PUBLICATION NOTICE
OF CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

SUPREME COURT STATE OF NEW YORK - WESTCHESTER COUNTY INDEX NO. 51015/2016
VELASQUEZ v. SUNSTONE RED OAK LLC
d/b/a RENAISSANCE WESTCHESTER HOTEL

TO: All individuals who performed work as servers, attendants, bussers, bartenders, food runners, captains, or in related service positions at Defendants' catered and banquet events from January 2010 to the present ("the Relevant Period"), including those at the facility commonly known as the Renaissance Westchester Hotel.

This Notice relates to a class action litigation that is currently pending before Hon. Sam D. Walker, J.S.C. and advancing towards trial. Publication has been authorized by a New York State court. It contains important information as to your rights including electing to not to be included in the class.

Marianella Velasquez ("Plaintiff") filed a lawsuit in 2016 alleging claims for unpaid gratuities against SUNSTONE RED OAK, LLC d/b/a RENAISSANCE WESTCHESTER HOTEL, SUNSTONE RED OAK LESSEE, INC., SUNSTONE HOTEL TRS LESSEE, INC., HIGHGATE HOTELS, L.P., JOHN V. ARABIA; PAUL R. WOMBLE; RICKEY WHITWORTH; BRYAN A. GIGLIA; ROBERT SPRINGER; and any other related entities, ("Defendants" or "Renaissance Westchester"). Defendants deny any wrongdoing and maintain that all workers were compensated in accordance with the law. The Court has not decided who is right and who is wrong or who would prevail at trial.

You are receiving this Notice to advise you of your rights and the current status of the lawsuit, including that the this case is currently being scheduled for trial before Judge Walker with a date to be set in the immediate future – likely during 2021. You have the right to appear if you wish.

To find out more about your rights and the status of the lawsuit visit
<https://www.lmblaw.com/renaissancewestchester>

If you performed work at the Renaissance Westchester Hotel in West Harrison as a server, attendant, busser, bartender, runner, or in any other related service position for catered and banquet events at any time from January 2010 to the present you are a member of the Class, and do not need to do anything to join this lawsuit.

The law firm of Leeds Brown Law, P.C., One Old Country Road, Suite 347, Carle Place, New York 11514 has been designated as legal counsel to represent you and the other Class Members. These lawyers are called Class Counsel. If you have any questions about this lawsuit, or would like further information about this notice, you can contact Class Counsel Michael Tompkins, Esq. of Leeds Brown Law, P.C. at **(516) 873-9550** or mtompkins@leedsbrownlaw.com.

This lawsuit is about alleged charges that were paid by catering customers for Defendants' catered events dating back to 2010. Plaintiffs assert that those charges are gratuities under Labor Law § 196-d and are owed to the service employees that worked those events.