

ERIC ROMANO, ET AL. V. JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.A.)

**IMPORTANT LEGAL MATERIALS**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

**CASE NO. 19-21147-CIV-GOODMAN**

ERIC ROMANO, et al., individually and on behalf of all  
others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY  
(U.S.A.),

Defendant.

**LEGAL NOTICE OF SUMMARY JUDGMENT RULING IN CLASS ACTION**

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On May 2, 2022, the Court granted the motion of Defendant John Hancock Life Insurance Company (U.S.A.) for summary judgment, dismissing the case in its entirety. By granting summary judgment, the Court determined the case could be decided without the need to go to trial. In its order, the Court determined that John Hancock was not acting as a fiduciary under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”) with respect to the conduct at issue in the case, John Hancock did not breach its ERISA fiduciary duties or engage in a prohibited transaction under ERISA, John Hancock’s alleged conduct did not cause the Plaintiffs damages, and Plaintiffs lack standing under Article III of the Constitution to assert their claims against John Hancock. Plaintiffs may appeal the Court’s decision. If the Court’s decision is upheld on appeal, or if Plaintiffs choose not to appeal, Plaintiffs and the Class Members will recover nothing from John Hancock in this matter and will be bound by the Court’s decision. The summary judgment decision is publicly available in the Court’s file.