

# District Court Approves \$500 Million Tribal Lending Settlement

“On May 12, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia preliminarily approved a nearly \$500 million class action settlement resolving allegations that tribal online lending companies charged usurious interest rates. Plaintiffs’ filings outline their class action against tribal entities, as well as several,” reports Lexology in their blog.

“The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit previously upheld a district court’s denial of defendants’ bid to dismiss or compel arbitration in the case (covered by InfoBytes here). The 4th Circuit concluded that the arbitration clauses in the loan agreements impermissibly forced borrowers to waive their federal substantive rights under.”

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