

Judge Slashes Attorneys' Fees in Anthem Data Breach Settlement

A federal judge slashed attorneys' fees in a \$115 million data breach case settlement between Anthem Inc. and its customers, according to **Bloomberg Law**.

"The Aug. 16 ruling by Judge Lucy Koh of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California closes the long-running lawsuit against Anthem. The case stemmed from a 2015 breach that exposed Social Security numbers, birth dates, and health-care data of 78.8 million customers," explains reporter **Daniel R. Stoller**.

The judge ruled that attorneys for the class action plaintiffs are entitled to \$31 million in fees, \$2 million in expenses, and \$132,000 for other operation costs. Class attorneys had requested \$37.95 million in fees, or roughly one-third of the total settlement fund, which Koh approved Aug. 15.

Read the Bloomberg Law article.