# DOMESTIC AIRLINE TRAVEL ANTITRUST LITIGATION ANTITRUST LITIGATION

# **CASE SUMMARY**

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### Case Description and Background

This case was filed by Plaintiffs who allege a conspiracy by the four largest commercial air passenger carriers in the United States (American Airlines, Inc; Delta Airlines, Inc.; Southwest Airlines Co.; and United Airline, Inc.) to fix, raise, maintain and/or stabilize prices for air passenger transportation services within the United States, it's territories and the District of Columbia. It is alleged that these companies did so by agreeing to limit capacity on their respective airlines in order to inflate ticket prices. Plaintiffs allege that beginning in or around 2009, Defendants' airfares rose substantially compared to those of other domestic carriers, despite stagnant or decreasing demand and decreases in the cost of jet fuel.

## Eligible Classes

### American Airlines Settlement Class

- The "Class" or "Classes" is defined to include all persons and entities that purchased air passenger transportation services for flights within the United States and its territories and the District of Columbia from Defendants or any predecessor, subsidiary or affiliate of American Airlines, Inc. between *July 1*, 2011 and June 14, 2018.
- Excluded from the American Airlines Settlement Class are Defendants, their parent companies, subsidiaries and Affiliates, Defendant's officers, directors, employees and immediate families, and any judges or justices assigned to hear any aspect of this case.

### Southwest Airlines Settlement Class

- The "Classe" or "Classes" is defined to include all persons and entities that purchased air passenger transportation services for flights within the United States and its territories and the District of Columbia from Defendants or any predecessor, subsidiary or affiliate of Southwest Airlines Co. between July 1, 2011 and December 20, 2017.
- Excluded from the Southwest Airlines Settlement Class are Defendants, their parent companies, subsidiaries and Affiliates, Defendant's officers, directors, employees and immediate families, and any judges or justices assigned to hear any aspect of this case.

### Defendants

American Airlines, Inc

Delta Airlines, Inc.

Southwest Airlines Co.

United Airline, Inc.

# Venue and Case Number

This case is pending in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and is identified by Case No. 1:15-mc-01404

# Settlements to Date Total 60,000,000.00

American Airlines, Inc. \$45,000,000.00 Southwest Airlines Co. \$15,000,000.00

Filing Deadline: To Be Determined.

