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Settlement in MetroAccess Case Receives Final Approval

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Today the tentative settlement reached in the class action lawsuit brought against MetroAccess was approved by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, following a fairness hearing. The agreement grants \$14 million to the plaintiff class and requires that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority improve its service and adhere to specific performance standards, among other items. On behalf of The Equal Rights Center, Wiley Rein LLP and the Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs had brought a class action lawsuit against MetroAccess, alleging that Metro had violated the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Rehabilitation Act by failing to provide adequate service to customers with disabilities. More information on the settlement is available here. The memorandum opinion is available here.

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