

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ THE ACCOMPANYING NOTICE AND THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. It is important that you completely read and understand the Notice of: (1) Pendency of Class Action, and (2) Hearing on Proposed Settlement and Attorneys' Fee Petition and Right to Share in Settlement Fund (the "Notice") and Plan of Allocation of Net Settlement Fund (the "Plan of Allocation") that accompany the Proof of Claim and Release. The Notice and Plan of Allocation describe the proposed Settlement, how the Class Members are affected by it, and the manner in which the Settlement Fund will be distributed, if the Settlement and Plan of Allocation are approved by the Court. The Notice also contains the definitions of many of the defined terms (which are indicated by initial capital letters) used in the Proof of Claim and Release. By signing and submitting the Proof of Claim and Release, you will be certifying that you have read and that you understand the Notice.
2. IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT, YOU MUST MAIL YOUR COMPLETED AND SIGNED PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE, BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 26, 2007, ADDRESSED TO:

In re HCA Inc. Securities Litigation
c/o The Garden City Group, Inc.
P.O. Box 9176
Dublin, OH 43017-4176

3. The Proof of Claim and Release is directed to all Persons who purchased or otherwise acquired HCA common stock from January 12, 2005 through July 12, 2005. Excluded from the Class are Defendants, the officers and directors of the Company, members of their immediate families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns and any entity in which Defendants have or had a controlling interest (which does not include any HCA employee retirement benefit plan established under the Employment Retirement Income Security Act). Also excluded from the Class are any Persons who exclude themselves by filing a request for exclusion in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Notice.
4. "Class Member" means any person who is included in the definition of the Class, who did not timely submit proper request for exclusion in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Notice.
5. "Authorized Claimant" means a Class Member who timely submits to the Claims Administrator a valid Proof of Claim and Release that has been allowed pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation.
6. IF YOU ARE NOT A CLASS MEMBER, OR IF YOU, OR SOMEONE ACTING ON YOUR BEHALF, FILES A REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION FROM THE CLASS, DO NOT SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE. YOU MAY NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT IF YOU ARE NOT A CLASS MEMBER. THUS, IF YOU FILE A REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION IN A TIMELY MANNER, ANY PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE THAT YOU SUBMIT, OR WHICH MAY BE SUBMITTED ON YOUR BEHALF, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
7. To recover as a Class Member, you must complete and sign the Proof of Claim and Release and mail it to the Claims Administrator on or before November 26, 2007. If you fail to file a timely, properly addressed, and completed Proof of Claim and Release, your claim may be rejected and you may be precluded from receiving any distribution from the Settlement Fund.
8. Submission of the Proof of Claim and Release does not ensure that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement Fund. Distributions from the Settlement Fund are governed by the Plan of Allocation approved by the Court. The proposed Plan of Allocation, which is subject to the Court's approval, is included in the Notice.
9. If you have questions concerning the Proof of Claim and Release, or need additional copies of the Proof of Claim and Release or Notice, you may contact the Claims Administrator, The Garden City Group, Inc., at the above address or by toll-free phone at (800) 915-2989 or you can e-mail your inquiries through or download the documents from the Claims Administrator's internet web site, www.HCASettlement.com.

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10. If you are a Class Member and you do not, or someone acting on your behalf does not, submit a timely Request for Exclusion, and if the Court approves the Settlement, you will be bound by the terms of any judgment that the Court enters. You will be bound by the judgment whether or not you submit a Proof of Claim and Release. The judgment enjoins the filing or continued prosecution of Released Claims. It also releases the Released Claims against the Released Parties, including those that are subject to pending lawsuits or arbitrations.
11. **NOTE REGARDING SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION.** You are required to submit genuine and sufficient documentation for all your transactions in HCA common stock during the Class Period of January 12, 2005 through and including July 12, 2005. All eligible transactions must be appropriately documented. Acceptable documentation generally includes periodic brokerage statements or trade confirmation slips. Documentation must include the claimant's name and address and identify the security, trade date, price paid per share and total amount of transaction. Do NOT provide originals or copies of stock certificates, as they are not acceptable documentation of the trade date or price. Please send legible photocopies of your periodic brokerage statements or trade confirmation slips. You should keep a copy of the Proof of Claim and all supporting documentation you submit. **IF SUCH DOCUMENTS ARE NOT IN YOUR POSSESSION, PLEASE OBTAIN COPIES OR EQUIVALENT CONTEMPORANEOUS DOCUMENTS FROM YOUR BROKER. FAILURE TO SUPPLY THIS DOCUMENTATION MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM. DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL STOCK CERTIFICATES.**
12. All joint purchasers must each sign the Proof of Claim and Release.
13. Agents, executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees must complete and sign the Proof of Claim and Release on behalf of persons represented by them and they must:
 - a. expressly state the capacity in which they are acting;
 - b. identify the name, account number, Social Security Number (or taxpayer identification number), address and telephone number of the beneficial owner of (or other person or entity on whose behalf they are acting with respect to) the HCA common stock; and
 - c. furnish herewith evidence of their authority to bind the person or entity on whose behalf they are acting to the Proof of Claim and Release. (Authority to complete and sign a Proof of Claim and Release cannot be established by stockbrokers only demonstrating that they have discretionary authority to trade stock in another's accounts.)
14. By submitting a signed Proof of Claim and Release, you will be swearing that you:
 - a. own(ed) the HCA common stock you have listed in the Proof of Claim and Release; or
 - b. are expressly authorized to act on behalf of the owner thereof.
15. By submitting a signed Proof of Claim and Release, you will be swearing to the truth of the statements contained therein and the genuineness of the documents attached thereto, subject to penalties of perjury under the laws of the United States of America. The making of false statements, or the submission of forged or fraudulent documentation, will result in the rejection of your claim and may subject you to civil liability or criminal prosecution.
16. **NOTE TO INSTITUTIONAL FILERS.** Claims with 100 or more transactions, or on behalf of 20 or more different accounts should be submitted electronically and in the required format. To obtain the electronic filing requirements and file layout, you may visit the website at www.HCASettlement.com or you may e-mail the Claims Administrator at eClaim@gardencitygroup.com. Proof of authority to submit a Proof of Claim on behalf of any managed accounts should be submitted with any Proofs of Claim for such accounts.

**ACCURATE CLAIMS PROCESSING TAKES A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.**
