

About the settlement of the Western Australia Stolen Wages Class Action

Mr Mervyn Street brought a case in the Federal Court against the Western Australian Government on behalf of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who weren't paid all their wages or money between 1936 and 1972.

The Western Australian Government has agreed to a settlement of the case in which it will pay up to \$180.4 million (depending on how many people register), which the Court will need to approve before any money is paid out.

A detailed notice giving information about the proposed settlement has been published and can be obtained using the contact details below.

What do you need to register for the settlement?

If you are part of the class action and want to get a payment from the settlement, you need to complete and send in a registration form by **30 June 2024**.

You are part of the class action and able to register if:

- a. you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person born before 9 June 1962;
- b. between 11 December 1936 and 9 June 1972 you worked in Western Australia and worked at some time for little or no wages;

OR

- c. you are representing a family member who qualifies and has since passed away (if you are their spouse (husband/wife/partner – married or defacto) or child).

If you don't want to claim compensation, you don't need to do anything. But you will still be part of the case, and you will lose your legal rights if the settlement is approved.

If you want to find out more about the case, the settlement or ask for a registration form, you can:

- Call Shine Lawyers on 1800 976 150
- Email Shine Lawyers at wastolenwages@shine.com.au
- Go to shine.com.au/stolenwageswa
- Come to an information meeting at a town near you. You can call Shine Lawyers or visit the website to see the schedule of meetings.

