

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

DAVID ROTH, On Behalf of Himself and All Others Similarly Situated,)	Lead Case No. 04-C-6835
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Plaintiff,)	<u>CLASS ACTION</u>
)	
vs.)	Judge Norgle
)	Magistrate Judge Denlow
AON CORPORATION, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION

TO: ALL PERSONS WHO PURCHASED AON CORPORATION COMMON STOCK DURING THE PERIOD MAY 5, 2003 THROUGH OCTOBER 13, 2004, INCLUSIVE

This Notice is given pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an order of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. This Notice is being sent to you because you may be a member of the Class described below. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of the pendency of this lawsuit, how it might affect your rights and what steps you may take in relation to it. No trial has yet occurred in this action and no findings of fault or liability have been made as to any of the parties. Depending on the eventual outcome of this Action, Class members may or may not recover money damages on the claims asserted. This Notice is not an expression of any opinion by the Court as to the merits of any of the claims or defenses asserted by any party in this litigation. If you do not meet the Class definition, this Class Notice does not apply to you and you may disregard it.

Beginning on October 25, 2004, a number of class action lawsuits were filed against Aon Corporation ("Aon") and certain Aon officers (collectively, the "defendants") by current or former Aon stockholders alleging violations of the federal securities laws. The cases were consolidated before the Honorable Charles R. Norgle in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and the case is presently styled *Roth v. Aon Corporation, et al.*, Lead Case No. 04-C-6835 (the "Litigation"). By an order dated March 24, 2005, the Court appointed a group of four institutional shareholders as "lead plaintiffs" pursuant to the requirements of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The lead plaintiffs seek to recover money and other relief for the Class.

On February 2, 2006, the Court denied defendants' motions to dismiss. Thereafter, defendants filed answers denying all material allegations of lead plaintiffs' Consolidated Complaint for Violations of the Federal Securities Laws and have asserted defenses thereto. The parties are currently engaged in discovery, which customarily includes, without limitation, the review and analysis of documents, the taking of depositions, and the exchange of expert reports.

On November 8, 2006, the Court issued an order appointing the four lead plaintiffs as class representatives and certifying a Class that consists of:

All persons or entities who purchased or otherwise acquired the Common Stock of Aon Corporation ("Aon") during the period beginning May 5, 2003 through October 13, 2004, and who were damaged thereby. Excluded from the class are: (i) Aon; (ii) Patrick G. Ryan, Michael D. O'Halloran and David P. Bolger (collectively the "Individual Defendants"); (iii) members of the family of each Individual Defendant; (iv) any entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest; (v) officers and directors of Aon; and (vi) the legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns of any such excluded party.

All nominees who purchased or acquired Aon common stock during the period beginning on May 5, 2003 through and including October 13, 2004 for the beneficial ownership of another are requested to send this Notice to all such beneficial owners no later than ten days after receipt of this Notice. Additional copies of this Notice will be provided to such nominees upon written request sent to:

Aon Securities Litigation
c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC
P.O. Box 808061
Petaluma, CA 94975-8061

You may download a copy of the Notice at www.gilardi.com

In the alternative, all nominees are requested to send a list of the names and addresses of such beneficial owners to Gilardi & Co. LLC at the above address no later than ten days after receipt of this Notice. Gilardi & Co. LLC will thereafter mail copies of this Notice directly to all such beneficial owners. Lead plaintiffs' counsel offer to prepay the reasonable costs of preparing a list of the names and addresses of such beneficial owners or of forwarding this Notice to beneficial owners in those cases where a nominee elects to forward notice, rather than provide a list of names and addresses to Gilardi & Co. LLC.

This Notice is sent to you in the belief that you may be a Class member in this Litigation; however, mere receipt of the Notice should not be construed to indicate that a determination has been made that you are a member of the Class. To remain a Class member, you are not required to do anything. If you remain a Class member you will be bound by any judgment in this Litigation, whether it is favorable or unfavorable. If you choose to remain a Class member, you may not pursue a lawsuit on your own with regard to any of the claims asserted or issues decided in this Litigation. If you wish, you may enter an appearance through your own counsel at your own expense.

If you want to be excluded from the Class, you must state your request in writing (including your full name and address) and sign your name. If you are signing on behalf of a Class member (such as an estate, corporation or partnership), please indicate your full name and the basis of your authority. Your request for exclusion must be mailed to Aon Securities Litigation, c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC, P.O. Box 808061, Petaluma, California 94975-8061. To be effective, your request for exclusion must comply with all of the above and be postmarked no later than July 23, 2007. Facsimile and email requests for exclusion are not acceptable. Requests for exclusion that do not comply with the above requirements will be invalid.

If you do properly exclude yourself from the Class, you will not be bound by any judgment in this Litigation, but you will also not be entitled to share any recovery that may result from it. If you properly request exclusion, you will be entitled to pursue any individual lawsuit, claim or remedy which you may have, at your own expense.

This Notice does not fully describe all of the claims and contentions of the parties. Complete copies of the pleadings, orders and other documents filed in this litigation may be examined and copied at any time during regular office hours at the office of the Clerk of the Court, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 219 S. Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60604, under Lead Case No. 04-C-6835.

If you have any questions concerning the matter raised in this Notice, you may address them in writing to: Tor Gronborg, Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP, 655 W. Broadway, Suite 1900, San Diego, CA 92101.

If you have any corrections or changes of name or address, you may address them in writing to: Aon Securities Litigation, c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC, P.O. Box 808061, Petaluma, California 94975-8061.

PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE OR CONTACT THE CLERK OF THE COURT REGARDING
THIS NOTICE.

DATED: January 18, 2007

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
THE HONORABLE CHARLES R. NORGLER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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