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\$10 Billion Settlement Reached in Roundup Weed Killer Cancer Litigation

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (June 30, 2020) - Cory Watson Attorneys, alongside many other plaintiff's firms, has reached a \$10.85 billion settlement with Monsanto on behalf of thousands of Americans who have been diagnosed with cancer after exposure to Roundup, the world's most popular weed killer.

Cory Watson has filed multiple lawsuits on behalf of plaintiffs against Monsanto, alleging that exposure to their widely used herbicide <u>Roundup</u> was causing Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in farmers, landscapers, maintenance workers, and homeowners.

"It has been a long journey, but we are pleased to have achieved justice for the tens of thousands of people who, through no fault of their own, are suffering from Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma after using a product Monsanto assured them was safe," said <u>Douglas A. Dellaccio Jr.</u>, principal attorney and Complex Litigation Practice Co-Chair at Cory Watson.

For nearly 40 years, farmers around the world have used Roundup without knowledge of the dangers posed by its use. Monsanto, the maker of Roundup, has <u>failed to place a warning label</u> on its product informing the consumer that the product contains dangerous agricultural chemicals.

The safety of Roundup is questionable at best. In 2015, the World Health Organization found that glyphosate, the principal "weed killer" component of Roundup, is carcinogenic to humans. Monsanto has continued to assure the public that Roundup is harmless and poses no danger to its users.

"This \$10 billion settlement is the first big step in correcting the forty years of harm caused by glyphosate, and a big win for anyone who may have been exposed to this dangerous chemical and its carcinogenic effects," said J. Curt Tanner, principal attorney at Cory Watson.

The settlement between Monsanto and plaintiffs is being overseen by court-appointed mediator Kenneth Feinberg, who previously managed compensation funds after September 11 and the explosion of the BP Deepwater Horizon oil rig in the Gulf of Mexico.

"Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma is devastating, and many of our clients continue to suffer from the consequences of cancer," said <u>R. Andrew Jones</u>, attorney at Cory Watson. "This settlement should help our clients rebuild and move forward in a meaningful way."

Monsanto faces thousands of lawsuits in federal and state courts over the herbicide. Three cases have

gone to trial, with juries returning verdicts of \$289 million, \$80 million, and \$2 billion against Monsanto.

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