

FIRM PROCURES \$21.6 MILLION CLASS ACTION JUDGMENT

Senior partner David H. Peirez of the law firm of Reisman, Peirez & Reisman (Garden City, New York) led a 7-year-long Court battle against Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield, which concluded in 2002 with a \$21.6 million judgment in the class action litigation in US Federal District Court (Eastern District NY).

The Garden City firm represented 52,000 Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield policyholders. The Court, in a 65-page Opinion and Decision, ruled that the policyholders did not receive proper medical claim reimbursements over a six-year coverage period, that the insurance contracts were breached, and the ERISA laws violated.

Reisman, Peirez & Reisman spearheaded the efforts to prosecute this action. After seven years of massive discovery and numerous court appearances, they secured a successful summary judgment for the plaintiffs. Reisman, Peirez & Reisman was subsequently joined by the law firm of Landy & Seymour as co-counsel.

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