

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

<p><b>ELOUISE PEPION COBELL, et al.,</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plaintiffs,</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">vs.</p> <p><b>SALLY JEWELL, Secretary of the Interior, et al.,</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Defendants.</b></p>	<p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p>	<p><b>Civil Action No. 1:96 CV 01285 (TFH)</b></p>
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**DECLARATION OF PAUL F. BRINKMAN**

1. I, Paul F. Brinkman, am an attorney practicing in the District of Columbia as a partner in the law firm of Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP. I submit this Declaration in support of *Plaintiffs' First Motion to Pay Class Counsel for Post-Settlement Attorneys' Fees and Expenses.*

2. I have been a member in good standing of the District of Columbia Bar since 1994 and the Virginia Bar Association since 1993. I have been admitted to practice before this Court and have been actively doing so since 1994. I am also admitted to practice before other courts, including the United States Supreme Court and several U.S. courts of appeals and district courts.

3. After graduating from law school in 1993, I served for one year as a Law Clerk to the Hon. James Turk of the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia. Following my clerkship, I joined the Washington, D.C. office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP in 1994 as an associate. I became a partner in Kirkland & Ellis LLP in 1999 and continued to practice

there until 2002, when I left to become a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Alston & Bird LLP, where I practiced until 2011 when I became a partner in the Washington office of Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP.

4. Throughout my entire legal career of 20 years, the primary focus of my practice has been on trial court level litigation and dispute resolution. I have appeared as lead counsel before this and other federal courts, agencies and the U.S. International Trade Commission in many complex litigation matters.

5. Since 1994, I have worked continuously in the District of Columbia legal community. As a result of my work in the D.C. legal market, including having been a partner in three large law firms, I am very knowledgeable of the rates typically charged in D.C. by attorneys in complex litigation matters such as this case. In setting my and others' rates, I regularly review information and surveys regarding the rates charged by lawyers at other D.C. firms.

6. I have reviewed the rates of Class Counsel in this case for the years 2009 – 2013 set forth in the Affidavits of William E. Dorris and Dennis M. Gingold, along with the pertinent attorneys' credentials. In my opinion, those rates are in line with the rates typically charged in the D.C. legal community in complex litigation by attorneys of reasonably comparable skill, experience, and reputation. In fact, the rates for many of the attorneys, especially those resident in the Winston Salem and Atlanta offices of Kilpatrick Townsend, are lower than what is customarily charged for similar work by their contemporaries in D.C.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on August 21, 2013, in Washington, D.C.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Brinkman', written over a horizontal line.

PAUL F. BRINKMAN

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing DECLARATION OF PAUL F. BRINKMAN was served on the following via facsimile, pursuant to agreement, on this 10th day of September, 2013.

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