

\$84 Million Award After Jury Trial to Nine Victims of Labor Day 2020 Fires in First PacifiCorp Damages-Only Trial

A jury in Portland, Oregon [awarded approximately \\$62 million in compensation](#) to be paid by PacifiCorp to nine survivors of the fires that swept across Oregon during the Labor Day 2020 storm. We were co-lead counsel for the plaintiffs at the trial. The verdict, which included more than \$6 million in economic and \$56 million in non-economic damages, translates to an award of more than \$84 million after doubling economic damages and applying a punitive damages multiplier. This verdict is the first trial exclusively about survivors' damages after our historic class action trial verdict last year, where we proved PacifiCorp liable to the entire class for causing the fires. It is the second jury verdict awarding damages to class members and maintains a trajectory which, according to PacifiCorp, represents more than \$25 billion in total damages to the class.

This trial concerned only the amount of money PacifiCorp owes each survivor. In Spring 2023, a [Portland jury determined that PacifiCorp](#) was liable to an entire class of people for causing the Labor Day fires. The Spring 2023 jury, after a seven-week trial, found that PacifiCorp acted negligently, grossly negligently, recklessly, and willfully. The jury also awarded punitive damages. That verdict paved the way to what could be hundreds of trials to determine the damages PacifiCorp owes to every class member.

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