

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

ROBERT BURRIS, individually and on	)	
behalf of all others similarly situated,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	Case No.
v.	)	
	)	
AMCORE BANK,	)	CLASS ACTION
	)	JURY DEMANDED
Defendant.	)	

**CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT**

Robert Burris (“Plaintiff”), by his attorney, Aron D. Robinson of the Law Office of Aron D. Robinson states as follows for his Class Action Complaint against Amcore Bank (“Defendant”).

**The Parties**

1. Plaintiff resides in this district.
2. Defendant is a bank with its principal place of business in Rockford, Illinois and conducts substantial business in this district.

**Jurisdiction and Venue**

3. This Court has federal question jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, because this action is brought pursuant to the Electronic Funds Transfer Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1693 *et seq.* and Regulation E, 12 C.F.R. § 205.1 *et seq.*
4. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b), because Plaintiff resides in this district, the transactions at issue occurred in this district and Defendant conducts substantial business in this district.

### **Statutory/Regulatory Authority**

5. The Electronic Funds Transfer Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1693 *et seq.* (“EFTA”), and its implementing Regulation E, 12 C.F.R. § 205.1 *et seq.*, require an automated teller machine (“ATM”) operator to provide notice to consumers that the operator will impose a fee on consumers for conducting a transaction at an ATM and the amount of such a fee.

6. Specifically, 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(c) require that an ATM operator disclose (a) on the ATM, that a fee will be imposed (“Posted Fee Notice”) and (b) on the ATM screen, that a fee will be imposed and the amount of such a fee.

7. The EFTA, 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3)(C), and Regulation E, 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(e), prohibit the imposition of a fee for using an ATM if the foregoing notice requirements are not met.

### **Facts**

8. On March 27, 2008, Plaintiff used automated teller machine (“ATM”) number 04350106346521 (“ATM 04350106346521”), located at 2365 N. Mayfair Rd., Wauwatosa, WI 53226.

9. On March 27, 2008, Plaintiff was charged \$2.00 to withdraw money from ATM 04350106346521.

10. On March 27, 2008, there was no Posted Fee Notice posted on or near ATM 04350106346521 that disclosed that users would be charged any fee for using ATM 04350106346521.

11. Defendant has a wide network of ATMs, a significant number of which did not have Posted Fee Notices.

**COUNT I**  
**VIOLATION OF EFTA AND REGULATION E**

12. Plaintiff incorporate herein by reference paragraphs 1-11.

13. Plaintiff brings this Count on behalf of herself and a Class of all persons who were charged a transaction fee for the use of any Amcore Bank automated teller machine when the machine did not have a Posted Fee Notice advising that Amcore Bank would impose a transaction fee for using the machine.

14. On information and belief, the putative Class consists of hundreds of persons and is so numerous that joinder of all putative Class members, whether otherwise required or permitted, is impracticable. The actual number of putative Class members is in the exclusive control of Defendant.

15. Questions of law and fact common to the Class predominate over any questions affecting only individual putative class members, including:

- (a) Whether, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3)(A) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16, Defendant was an ATM operator at all relevant times during that class period that imposed a fee on consumers for providing host transfer services to those consumers; and
- (b) Whether, at all relevant times during the class period, Defendant failed to comply with the notice requirements of 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(c).

16. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the putative Class members, including:

- (a) Plaintiff and all putative Class members used an ATM operated by Defendant;
- (b) Defendant failed to provide notices compliant with 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(c) to Plaintiff and all putative Class members; and

- (c) Defendant illegally imposed a fee on Plaintiff and all putative Class members for their respective use of Amcore Bank ATMs that did not have Posted Fee Notices in compliance with the EFTA.

17. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Class and Plaintiff has hired counsel able and experienced in class action litigation.

18. Questions of law or fact common to the putative class predominate over any questions affecting only individual putative Class members, and a class action is superior to other available methods for the full and efficient adjudication of the controversy.

19. This Court and the parties would enjoy economies in litigating common issues on a class-wide basis instead of a repetitive individual basis.

20. The size of each putative Class member's actual damages is too small to make individual litigation an economically viable option.

21. No unusual difficulties will likely occur in the management of the Class as all questions of law or fact to be litigated at the liability stage are common to the putative Class and all compensatory relief is concomitant with a liability finding and can be calculated by automated and objective means.

22. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3)(D)(i) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(a), Defendant was an ATM operator at all times relevant to this action.

23. Defendant was the operator of ATM 04350106346521 and of each ATM used by members of the Class at all times relevant to this action.

24. Defendant failed to comply with the notice requirements of 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(c) when providing ATM services to Plaintiff and all putative Class members.

25. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1693b(d)(3)(C) and 12 C.F.R. § 205.16(e), Defendant therefore illegally imposed a fee on Plaintiff and all putative Class members for their respective use of Amcore Bank ATMs.

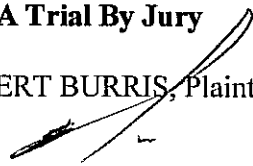
WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the putative Class, requests that this Court enter judgment in his favor and against Amcore Bank and award the following:

- A. Actual and statutory damages as set forth in the EFTA and Regulation E;
- B. Attorneys' fees and costs of suit; and
- C. Such other relief as this Court deems proper.

**Plaintiff Demands A Trial By Jury**

ROBERT BURRIS, Plaintiff,

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