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Class action lawsuit against CPD alleges racial profiling in stop and frisk practices.

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Attorneys at Romanucci & Blandin, LLC and Hart McLaughlin & Eldridge, LLC allege Lindsey's "stop and frisk" was a violation of his Fourth Amendment rights.

Now, Lindsey is one of 2 million people involved in a class-action lawsuit certified by Judge Andrea Wood on Aug. 31.

According to the lawsuit, the Chicago Police Department's stop and frisk practice targeted young and middle-aged minorities without the required "reasonable suspicion" that a crime has been or is about to happen.

The lawsuit alleges that in 2014, more than 715,000 stops were conducted. Seventy-one percent of those stops happened to Black residents and 17% to Hispanic residents, according to the lawsuit. But there were no recoveries of illicit contraband, according to attorney Antonio Romanucci.

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