

Uber Drivers Granted Class-Action Status in Legal Battle

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Lonnie Giamela was quoted in *Los Angeles Times* on September 1, 2015. The article "Uber Drivers Granted Class-Action Status in Legal Battle" discussed a recent win for Uber drivers, thanks to a federal judge ruling that they could move forward with a class-action lawsuit that seeks to designate them as employees, not independent contractors.

Lonnie was quoted on his take of the ruling.

"We're talking about millions of dollars," said Lonnie.

"What the court said was, look, that [argument] might be good for the purpose of the merits for the case, but you're essentially admitting to the court that you treat everyone the same, which supports a finding for class certification," he said.

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