

Law360: Anthem Seeks Dismissal Of 'Ghost Network' Class Action

In “Anthem Seeks Dismissal Of 'Ghost Network' Class Action” (Law360, January 26, 2026), Law360 discusses Mazzola et al. v. Anthem Health Plans Inc. et al., a “ghost networks” class action lawsuit filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut.

The lawsuit was filed in July 2025 in Connecticut state court against Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, Carelton, and their parent company, Elevance, for deceptive business practices and defrauding their customers by denying mandated medical services and intentionally publishing inaccurate directories of doctors. It is a class action lawsuit covering hundreds of thousands of Connecticut residents.

In a motion filed January 23, 2026, Elevance and Anthem asked the court to dismiss the lawsuit.

Jake Gardner, co-counsel with Pollock Cohen LLP partner Steve Cohen, representing the plaintiffs, called the dismissal bid an attempt from Anthem and Elevance to evade accountability for their unlawful conduct. He notes, “As plaintiffs' complaint clearly demonstrates, Anthem, Elevance, and Carelton have catastrophically failed to deliver the mental health benefits to which plaintiffs are entitled.”

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