

Wretched Whopper lawsuit well settled



On December 15, 2018 a 50-year old Burger King customer, Curtis Broomer, got locked in the BK bathroom because of a jammed door. He said that it was the kind of bathroom where you hold your breath until you get out. He couldn't get out though.

While he was trapped, he could hear the staff and customers laughing about his predicament. He was stuck in there for an entire hour until a locksmith was finally found to release him. After his escape he needed to sit in the restaurant for another hour recovering from his ordeal.

The Burger King manager graciously apologized and offered him free Burger King meals for life. They in fact gave him free meals for 13 days and then they changed their minds on the gift. Curtis sued Burger King and has just thankfully received a settlement from BK.

1. How many Whopper meals do you think would represent the value of this gift in his lifetime? Just take a guess.
2. What would you want to know to figure out how much he should ask for?
3. Now try to calculate how much he should ask for in his lawsuit.
4. He received \$9,000. How many Whopper meals can he now eat (on average per week) for free?
5. What do you think are the pros and cons of getting a settlement of \$9,000 instead of free Whopper meals for life?

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