

**TYCKO & ZAVAREEI FILES CLASS ACTION AGAINST
PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION AND TRASCORE, LP
FOR UNLAWFUL E-ZPASS CHARGES**

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Washington, D.C. (June 21, 2018) – A Maryland resident filed a class action lawsuit today in the District of Maryland alleging that the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and its private partner, Transcore LP, violated drivers’ rights by assessing unexplained and unauthorized charges and fees on E-ZPass accounts without any opportunity to dispute or appeal the charges.

The complaint alleges that the Commission and Transcore, which operates the E-ZPass Customer Service Center, promise drivers the ability to dispute and appeal toll road charges that they disagree with. In reality, disputes and appeals are ignored and never resolved.

Plaintiff Dennis Mannarano’s E-ZPass account was charged over \$135 when he drove on the Pennsylvania Turnpike in 2016. He never received an explanation for the charge, and when he submitted multiple appeal forms, he never received a response.

Hassan Zavareei, a founding partner with Tycko & Zavareei, commented that “while electronic tolling systems like E-ZPass are becoming increasingly popular because of their efficiency, states and their corporate partners are able to abuse them by assessing unexplained charges, fees, and fines on drivers, without providing any meaningful way to dispute the charges.”

Mannarano is represented by Hassan Zavareei and Katherine Aizpuru of Tycko & Zavareei LLP, and James Shah and Jaclyn Reinhart of Shepherd, Finkelman, Miller & Shah, LLP. The case is *Mannarano v. Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, et al.*, Case No. 18-1845 (D. Md.). Other drivers who have been impacted by unexplained charges or fees on electronic tolling systems are encouraged to learn more about their legal rights. For additional inquiries, please contact Katherine Aizpuru at kaizpuru@tzlegal.com.