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**BALTIMORE, MD AND RADNOR , PA LAW FIRMS JOINTLY FILE FIRST
NATIONWIDE CLASS ACTION IN E. COLI-TAINTED GROUND BEEF ILLNESS
OUTBREAK**

Baltimore, MD and Radnor, PA– Janet, Jenner & Suggs, LLC, of Baltimore, and Schiffrin Barroway Topaz & Kessler, LLC of Radnor, PA, today filed the first nationwide class action involving some 22 million pounds of ground beef suspected in an outbreak of a virulent strain of E-coli related illness in eight states over the weekend.

“Consumers should have an expectation that food products labeled 100% PURE should be safe for human consumption and not be concerned that their food is contaminated with a potentially lethal bacteria,” said Robert K. Jenner, a partner in the firm.

“This Class Action was filed to protect the rights of all victims that have been wronged by the carelessness of the manufacturer, suppliers and distributors of the contaminated ground beef products. These defendant corporations must be held accountable for not protecting basic food, health and safety,” said Tobias Millrood, a partner in the firm.

The suit was filed in the in the United States District Court for the Western District of New York against Topps Meat Company and several meat distributors, including Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Pathmark Stores, Inc., Wakefern Foodcorp, d/b/a/ Shoprite, and Rastelli Fine Foods, LTD. The suit listed four representative plaintiffs requiring medical care after eating the contaminated beef. One of the class plaintiffs is from New York.

Co-counsel in the class action is Schiffrin Barroway Topaz & Kessler, LLP, of Radnor, PA and Chamberlain D'Amanda of Rochester, NY.

Topps announced on September 29 that it was expanding to 21.7 million pounds its recall of possibly tainted frozen hamburger patties. The Centers for Disease Control have reported about a dozen cases of illness related to the suspect meat. This particular strain of E.coli is a potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea, dehydration and kidney failure. The very young, seniors and persons with compromised immune systems are the most susceptible to foodborne illness.

For more information about E. coli symptoms and prevention, visit www.ecoli-recall.com.

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