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Class-action suit against bank seeks back overtime pay

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A class-action lawsuit filed against J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. in U.S. District Court in Rochester last week could force the bank to pay back overtime to 1,000 or more workers, the plaintiff's attorney says.

Filed by Michael Davis, a former Chase underwriter in Rochester, the lawsuit seeks overtime pay for Davis, other past Chase underwriters and for any of the bank's current workers who may be similarly situated.

Chase officials could not be reached for comment.

The action does not specify damages.

However, firms on the losing end of similar cases typically have been required to make payouts in the tens of millions of dollars, said Davis' attorney, Nelson Thomas of Dolin, Thomas & Solomon P.C.

At issue in the Chase case is whether Davis, who worked for the bank's Roch-

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