

8. Rulings re. discovery:

a. Each party shall disclose the persons, documents, and all other non-privileged evidence or information presently known to the party and having significant bearing on any claim or defense; such disclosure shall be made on or before _____.

b. Discovery needed to enable evaluation of case for settlement purposes and conduct good faith negotiations shall be completed not later than one week prior to the settlement conference.

c. The parties shall submit a joint discovery plan, which shall detail the extent and anticipated timetable for completion of remaining discovery and include a request, if such is desired to take discovery beyond the limits imposed by Local Rule 16.2 (formerly 8:2.1) on or before _____. Unless the court overrules that request on filing of the joint discovery plan, it will be deemed granted.

d. Cutoff for completion of discovery, excluding experts, is _____.

e. Deadline for disclosure of expert witnesses and experts' report is _____ (90 days prior to trial).

f. Deadline for deposing expert witnesses is _____ (60 days prior to trial).

Other rulings re. discovery: Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(d) and 26(a) unless otherwise ordered by the court, initial disclosures, discovery depositions, interrogatories, requests for documents, request for admissions, and answers and responses thereto shall not be filed with the Clerk's Office, except that discovery materials may be filed as evidence in support of a motion or for use at trial.

9. Motion cutoff date is _____; any opposition will be due _____; and any reply will be due _____.

10. Date of a **TELEPHONE** status conference with counsel is set for _____.

11. Counsel and principal parties or representatives with full settlement authority shall attend the settlement conference on _____. Not later than two weeks prior to the **settlement** conference the plaintiff shall have made a reasonable demand on the defendant, and not later than one week prior to the conference, the defendant shall have given a reasonable response to that demand. *Ex parte* narrative statements re. settlement are to be sent to the undersigned at 318 U. S. Courthouse, Toledo, Ohio, 43624, by mail, or fax 419-259-3728, or e-mail (Vernelis_K_Armstrong@ohnd.uscourts.gov), **NO LATER THAN ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE**. Such statements will be returned to counsel upon completion of the settlement conference.

12. A final pretrial conference is scheduled for _____.

13. Jury empanelment is set for _____ and trial will commence immediately following empanelment. Counsel will meet with the magistrate in Room 318 on _____ at _____. A trial order will follow.

14. The deadline for amending pleadings and adding parties is _____. Any motions in limine must be filed two weeks prior to trial.

So ordered.

Vernelis K. Armstrong
U. S. Magistrate Judge