

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

_____ ,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action __: __-cv-_____
Judge _____
Magistrate Judge Jolson

_____ ,

Defendant.

RULE 26(f) REPORT

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f), a meeting was held on _____ and was attended by:

_____, counsel for plaintiff(s) _____,

_____, counsel for plaintiff(s) _____,

_____, counsel for defendant(s) _____,

_____, counsel for defendant(s) _____,

Counsel represent that, during the meeting, they engaged in a meaningful attempt to meet and confer on the matters outlined below.

1. **CONSENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Do the parties consent to Magistrate Judge jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c)?

_____ Yes _____ No

2. **INITIAL DISCLOSURES**

Have the parties agreed to make initial disclosures?

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, such initial disclosures shall be made by _____.

3. VENUE AND JURISDICTION

Are there any contested issues related to venue or jurisdiction?

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, the parties agree that any motion related to venue or jurisdiction shall be filed by _____.

4. PARTIES AND PLEADINGS

- a. The parties agree that any motion to amend the pleadings or to join additional parties shall be filed by _____.
- b. If the case is a class action, the parties agree that the motion for class certification shall be filed by _____.

5. MOTIONS

- a. Are there any pending motion(s)?

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, indicate which party filed the motion(s), and identify the motion(s) by name and docket number:

- b. Are the parties requesting expedited briefing on the pending motion(s)?

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, identify the proposed expedited schedule:

Opposition to be filed by _____; Reply brief to be filed by _____.

6. ISSUES

Jointly provide a brief description of case, including causes of action set forth in the complaint, and indicate whether there is a jury demand:

7. DISCOVERY PROCEDURES

a. The parties agree that all discovery shall be completed by _____. The parties agree to schedule their discovery in such a way as to require all responses to discovery to be served prior to the cut-off date, and to file any motions relating to discovery within the discovery period unless it is impossible or impractical to do so.

b. Do the parties anticipate the production of ESI? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, describe the protocol for such production:

c. Do the parties intend to seek a protective order or clawback agreement?

If yes, such order or agreement shall be produced to the Court by _____.

8. DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS

a. Any dispositive motions shall be filed by _____.

b. Are the parties requesting expedited briefing on dispositive motions?

____ Yes ____ No

If yes, identify the proposed expedited schedule:

Opposition to be filed by _____; Reply brief to be filed by _____.

9. EXPERT TESTIMONY

a. Primary expert reports must be produced by _____.

b. Rebuttal expert reports must be produced by _____.

10. SETTLEMENT

Plaintiff will a make a settlement demand by _____. Defendant will respond by _____. The parties agree to make a good faith effort to settle this case. The parties understand that this case will be referred to an attorney mediator, or to the Magistrate Judge, for a settlement conference during this Court's settlement week. The parties request the following week:

March 20__; June 20__; September 20__; December 20__

In order for the conference to be meaningful, the parties agree to complete all discovery that may affect their ability to evaluate this case prior to the beginning of settlement week. The parties understand that they will be expected to comply fully with the settlement week orders which require, *inter alia*, that settlement demands and offers be exchanged prior to the conference and that principals of the parties attend the conference.

11. RULE 16 PRETRIAL CONFERENCE

Do the parties request a scheduling conference?

_____ Yes, the parties would like a conference with the Court prior to it issuing a scheduling order. The parties request that the conference take place _____ in chambers _____ by telephone.

_____ No, a conference is not necessary; the Court may issue a scheduling order after considering this Report.

Magistrate Judge Jolson will provide case conferencing instructions for each case, which provide for the use of the AT&T Telephone Conferencing Service. Unless an order of the Court states otherwise, the parties shall use those instructions for all telephonic conferences held in that case.

12. OTHER MATTERS

Indicate any other matters for the Court's consideration:

Signatures:

Attorney for Plaintiff(s):

Attorney for Defendant(s):

Counsel for _____
Bar # _____

Counsel for _____
Bar # _____

Counsel for _____
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Counsel for _____
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Counsel for _____
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Counsel for _____
Bar # _____

Date: _____