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CAUSE NO. _____

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| _____ | § | IN THE 43 RD JUDICIAL |
| VS. | § | DISTRICT COURT OF |
| _____ | § | PARKER COUNTY, TEXAS |

43RD DISTRICT COURT
STANDARD PRETRIAL SCHEDULING ORDER

The Court finds that, in order to expedite the orderly completion of pretrial preparation, a scheduling and procedural order should be made imposing deadlines for pretrial matters, and the Court hereby orders and adopts the following schedule for pretrial proceedings.

1. By _____ 210 _____ (number of days before trial), each party shall have submitted all written discovery to the opposing party.

2. By _____ 180 _____ (number of days before trial), each party shall have filed with the Court and served on opposing counsel a list of all fact witnesses (other than rebuttal or impeaching witnesses) who may be called to testify at trial, showing the name, address, and telephone number of each fact witness.

3. By _____ 90 _____ (number of days before trial), each party shall have completed all depositions of fact witnesses and persons other than expert witnesses.

4. By _____ 150 _____ (number of days before trial), plaintiff shall have filed with the Court and served on defendant's counsel a list of all expert witnesses who may be called by plaintiff to testify at trial, showing the name, address, and telephone number of each expert and the subject matter on which each expert is expected to testify.

5. By _____ 120 _____ (number of days before trial), defendant shall have filed with the Court and served on plaintiff's counsel a list of all expert witnesses who may be called by defendant to testify at trial, showing the name, address, and telephone number of each expert and the subject matter on which each expert is expected to testify.

6. By _____ 60 _____ (number of days before trial), each party shall have completed all depositions of expert witnesses.

7. By _____ 60 _____ (number of days before trial), the parties shall have filed any motions for mental or physical examination of any person.

8. By _____ 45 _____ (number of days before trial), all motions for summary judgment, partial summary judgment, or other dispositive motions shall be filed and heard by the Court.

9. By _____ 45 _____ (number of days before trial), the parties shall have completed a mediation and settlement conference on all issues in dispute.

10. By _____ 30 _____ (number of days before trial), all objections related to videotape depositions, whether evidentiary or relative to discovery, shall be heard and edited copies shall be presented to opposing counsel in the format to be presented at trial.

11. By _____ 30 _____ (number of days before trial), counsel for each party shall meet with the Court for a pretrial conference (if desired, list matters to be taken up at conference, e.g. to consider all pending pleas, motions, and exceptions, the possibility of obtaining stipulations of fact, the proposed jury charge questions, instructions, and definitions, any motions in limine, the possibility of settlement, and other matters as directed by the Court).

12. By the date of the pretrial conference, each party shall have prepared a list of all anticipated witnesses expected to testify and documentary or other tangible exhibits that may be introduced at trial and shall have filed the list with the Court and provided it to opposing counsel.

13. Trial of this matter shall begin on _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____m.

Approved and signed this _____ day of _____,
_____.

CRAIG TOWSON
District Judge
43rd Judicial District Court