**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

**FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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| Plaintiff, | ) |  |
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| v. | )  ) | Civil Action No.      -cv-      (TSC) |
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| Defendant. | ) |  |
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**SCHEDULING ORDER**

1. **DEADLINES:**

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the parties shall adhere to the following deadlines:

Deadline to Exchange Initial Disclosures \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Deadline to Amend the Pleadings \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Deadline to Join Additional Parties \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff’s Rule 26(a)(2) Expert Disclosures \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Defendant’s Rule 26(a)(2) Expert Disclosures \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

End of Discovery[[1]](#footnote-1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Defendants’ Motion for Summary Judgment due[[2]](#footnote-2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff’s Response due \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Defendant’s Reply due \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **DEPOSITIONS AND INTERROGATORIES:**[[3]](#footnote-3)

Absent agreement of the parties or Order of the Court to the contrary, the parties shall be limited to no more than ten (10) depositions and no more than twenty-five (25) interrogatories per side.

1. **DISCOVERY DISPUTES:**

Counsel shall confer in good faith in an effort to resolve any discovery dispute. If counsel are unable to resolve the dispute, they must first **JOINTLY** submit, via email to chambers, a clear, concise description of the issues in dispute, each party’s position on the disputed issues, and the parties' joint availability for an on-the-record telephone conference. The court will then respond as soon as practicable to schedule a telephone conference and provide the parties with call-in information.

**Counsel shall not file any discovery-related motion without a prior telephone conference with the Court and opposing counsel.**

Counsel are hereby notified that a party who does not prevail in a discovery dispute may be ordered to pay the costs involved, including reasonable attorney’s fees.

1. **REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF MEDIATOR:**[[4]](#footnote-4)

If at any point the parties desire to engage in mediation, with a Magistrate Judge or through the Mediation Program of the Circuit Executive’s Office, the parties shall file a joint

motion captioned “Joint Motion for Mediation.”

Date: June 12, 2017

1. Pursuant to Federal Rule 26, the proposed discovery plan must include: “any issues about disclosure, discovery, or preservation of electronically stored information, including the forms or forms in which it should be produced.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f)(3)(C). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The parties may propose an alternative briefing order for dispositive motions. **However, the parties shall avoid proposing a schedule that contains submission of simultaneous dispositive cross-motions.** [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The parties shall include any proposed changes to this section in their proposed order. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. The parties shall include any proposed changes to this section in their proposed order. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)