

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re:

Debtor(s)

Plaintiff(s),

- against -

Defendant(s).
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Chapter ____

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Case No. 25-71496-spg
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Adv. Proc. No. _____-spg
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CASE MANAGEMENT
& SCHEDULING ORDER
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This Case Management and Scheduling Order is entered by the Court, following a Scheduling Conference held on _____, in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b) and 26(f).

1. Amended pleadings may not be filed and additional parties may not be joined except with leave of the Court. Any motion to amend or to join additional parties shall be filed within 60 days from the date of this Order.

2. Initial disclosure pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1) shall be completed not later than 14 days from the date of this Order.

3. All fact discovery shall be completed no later than 120 days from the date of this Order.

4. The parties are to conduct discovery in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (“Civil Rules”), Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (“Bankruptcy Rules”) and the Local Rules of the Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York (“Local Bankruptcy Rules”).

5. Expert discovery

a. All expert discovery shall be completed no later than 45 days after the date in paragraph 3, i.e., the completion of all fact discovery.

b. No later than 30 days prior to the date in paragraph 3, i.e., the completion of all fact discovery, the parties shall meet and confer on a schedule for expert disclosures, including reports, production of underlying documents and depositions, provided that (i) plaintiff(s)’ expert report(s) shall be due before those of defendant(s)’ expert(s); and (ii) all expert discovery shall be completed by the date set forth in paragraph 5(a).

6. Motions

a. All motions and applications shall be governed by the Civil Rules, Bankruptcy Rules and Local Bankruptcy Rules, including pre-motion conference requirements. Pursuant to the authority provided by Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(2), a motion for summary judgment will be deemed untimely unless a request for a pre-motion conference relating thereto (*see* Local Bankruptcy Rule 7056-1) is made in writing within fourteen (14) days after the close of fact discovery (*see* paragraph 3 hereof).

b. Motion papers shall be filed promptly after service. All motions, and courtesy copies of motions, shall include a table of contents listing all affidavits and exhibits. Affidavits and exhibits shall be clearly identified by tabs on both the original and courtesy copies. Exhibits shall be marked sequentially such that no exhibit number or

letter repeats, regardless of the affidavit to which it is attached. Exhibits for plaintiffs should be marked by numbers; exhibits for defendants should be marked by letters.

c. Two courtesy copies of all motion papers shall be delivered to chambers as soon as practicable after filing.

d. Unless prior permission has been granted, memoranda of law in support of and in opposition to motions are limited to 30 pages, and reply memoranda are limited to 15 pages. All memoranda shall be double-spaced, 12-point font, with 1” margins. Memoranda of 10 pages or more shall contain a table of contents and a table of authorities.

e. Prior to filing a motion, counsel for the moving party shall contact my Courtroom Deputy at SPG_Hearings@nyeb.uscourts.gov by email to obtain a hearing date for the motion.

7. All counsel must meet face-to-face to discuss settlement or use of alternative dispute resolution (“ADR”) within 14 after the date of this Order and, again, within 14 after the close of fact discovery. Counsel shall advise the Court promptly if they agree to use ADR to try to resolve some or all of the claims in the case. The use of any ADR mechanism does not stay or modify any date in this Order unless the Court agrees on the application of any party.

8. Counsel shall submit a proposed Joint Pretrial Conference Order within 30 days after the close of fact and expert discovery (whichever is later).

9. In the event of any discovery dispute in this action, counsel shall first meet and confer in an effort to resolve the dispute. If counsel are unable to resolve the dispute, counsel for any party seeking assistance from the Court shall, before filing any discovery

motion, arrange a conference call with the Court with all counsel involved in the dispute. The Court will endeavor to resolve the dispute without the filing of any discovery motions.

10. The [next Case Management] [Final Pretrial Conference] is scheduled for _____.

11. This ORDER may not be modified or the dates herein extended, except by further Order of this Court for good cause shown. Any application to modify or extend any deadline established by this Order shall be made in a written application no less than 5 days prior to the expiration of the date sought to be extended.