

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

Plaintiff(s),

-against-

Defendant(s).

_____ CIV. NO. _____

**[Proposed] Case
Management Plan and
Scheduling Order**

The parties submit this [Proposed] Case Management Plan and Scheduling Order pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f):

- 1. Meet and Confer:** The parties met and conferred pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(c) and 26(f) on _____ via _____.
- 2. Summary of Claims, Defenses, and Relevant Issues:**

Plaintiff(s):

Defendant(s):

3. Basis of Subject Matter Jurisdiction (and any dispute as to jurisdiction):

4. Subjects on Which Discovery May Be Needed:

Plaintiff(s):

Defendant(s):

5. Initial Disclosures pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1) will be exchanged no later than _____.

a. Plaintiff(s) _____ has/have disclosed _____ will disclose by ____ the information required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1).

b. Defendant(s) __has/have disclosed __will disclose by _____ the information required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1).

6. Amended Pleadings:

a. No additional parties may be joined after _____. Any motion to join after this date will need to meet the good cause requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 16.

b. No amended pleadings may be filed after _____. Any motion to amend after this date will need to meet the good cause requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 16.

7. Discovery Plan:

- a.** All fact discovery shall be completed by _____.
- b.** Initial requests for production were/shall be served by _____.
Any subsequent requests for production must be served no later than 45 days prior to the discovery completion deadline.
- c.** Initial interrogatories were/shall be served by _____.
Any subsequent interrogatories must be served no later than 45 days prior to the discovery completion deadline.
- d.** Requests to admit shall be served by _____.
- e.** Depositions shall be completed by _____.
- f.** The parties propose the following limits on discovery:

- g.** Except as otherwise modified in 7(f) above, the parties are to conduct discovery in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules of the Southern District of New York. The interim fact discovery deadlines may be altered by the parties on consent without application to the Court, provided that the parties meet the deadline for completing fact discovery.
- h.** The parties would like to address at the conference with the Court the following disputes, if any, concerning fact discovery:

8. Expert Discovery (if applicable):

- a. The parties do _____ / do not _____ anticipate using testifying experts.
- b. Anticipated areas of expertise:
- c. Expert discovery shall be completed by _____.
- d. No less than 30 days before the end of 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) expert report(s) of the party with the burden of proof shall be due before those of the opposing party's expert(s); and (ii) all expert discovery shall be completed by the date set forth above.
- e. The parties would like to address at the conference with the Court the following disputes, if any, concerning expert discovery:

9. Electronic Discovery and Preservation of Documents and Information:

- a. The parties have _____ / have not _____ discussed electronic discovery.
- b. If applicable, the parties shall have a protocol for electronic discovery in place by _____.
- c. The parties would like to address at the conference with the Court the following disputes, if any, concerning electronic discovery:

10. Anticipated Motions (other than summary judgment, if any):

- 11. Summary Judgment Motions:** No less than 30 days before a party intends to file a summary judgment motion, and in no event later than the close of discovery, the party shall notify this Court, and the District Judge, that it intends to move for summary judgment and, if required by the District Judge's Individual Practices, request a pre-motion conference.

If pre-motion clearance has been obtained from the District Judge where required, summary judgment motions must be filed no later than 30 days following the close of all discovery if no date was set by the District Judge or, if a date was set by the District Judge, in accordance with the schedule set by the District Judge. If no pre-motion conference is required, summary judgment motions must be filed no later than 30 days following the close of discovery.

Any summary judgment motion must comply with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Local Rules of this District, and the Individual Practices of the District Judge to whom the case is assigned.

- 12. Pretrial Submissions:** The parties shall submit a joint proposed pretrial order and any required accompanying submissions 30 days after decision on the summary judgment motion(s), or, if no summary judgment motion is made, 30 days after the close of all discovery.

13. Trial:

- a. All parties do ____/ do not ____ consent to a trial before a Magistrate Judge at this time.
- b. The case is ____/ is not ____ to be tried to a jury.
- c. The parties anticipate that the trial of this case will require ____ days.

14. Early Settlement or Resolution:

- a. Settlement discussions have _____ / have not _____ taken place.
- b. The parties have discussed an informal exchange of information in aid of early settlement and have agreed to exchange the following:

- c. The parties have discussed use of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms for use in this case, such as (i) a settlement conference before the Magistrate Judge, (ii) participation in the District's Mediation Program, and (ii) retention of a private mediator. The parties propose the following alternative dispute mechanism for this case:

- d. The parties recommend that the alternative dispute resolution mechanism designated above be employed at the following point in the case (e.g., within the next 30 days; after exchange of specific information; after deposition of plaintiff; etc.):

- e. The use of any alternative dispute resolution mechanism does not stay or modify any date in this Order.

15. Other Matters the Parties Wish to Address (if any):

16. The Court will fill in the following:

A status conference will be held before the undersigned on _____ at _____.m.

The parties shall submit a joint status letter by _____ no longer than _____ pages.

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of _____, _____

PLAINTIFF(S):

DEFENDANT(S):

ATTORNEY NAME(s):

ATTORNEY NAME(s):

ADDRESS

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TEL: _____

TEL: _____

EMAIL: _____

EMAIL: _____

Dated: New York, New York

SO ORDERED.

HENRY J. RICARDO
United States Magistrate Judge