

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

COUNTY OF SUMMIT

JENELLE ALVERSON)	CASE NO. CV-2020-06-1676
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Plaintiff)	JUDGE SUSAN BAKER ROSS
-VS-)	
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AKRON ART MUSEUM, et al.)	<u>CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER</u>
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Defendant)	
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By agreement of counsel at the telephone first pretrial conference held on October 21, 2020, the court sets the following case management schedule:

DISCOVERY will be completed on or before **February 26, 2021**. If there are any discovery disputes that cannot be resolved, counsel are to request a telephone conference with the court before resorting to motion practice under Civ.R. 37(A) & (E).

MEDIATION: All clients must be present at the mediation conference with trial counsel of record to enable fruitful discussions with an eye toward resolution. If an insurance company is involved, a representative with complete settlement authority must attend.

EXPERT WITNESSES:

The Plaintiff shall identify expert witnesses and provide any reports from the expert witness(es) to all counsel on or before **February 26, 2021**.

The Defendant shall identify expert witnesses and provide any reports from the expert witness(es) to all counsel on or before **March 15, 2021**.

ALL EXPERT WITNESSES ARE TO BE IDENTIFIED BY NOTICE AS FILED WITH THE COURT.

The expert discovery cut-off date is **March 22, 2021**.

DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS will be filed on or before **March 31, 2021**. Responses and replies will be filed pursuant to Civ.R. 6(C)(1).

Parties are advised that the Summit County Clerk of Courts e-filing system does not provide for "instant" filings. Any party seeking leave to file shall first pose the motion to the Court, and, upon confirmation that the motion has been granted, timely submit such filing to the Clerk.

FINAL PRETRIAL DATE: July 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. All clients must be present with trial counsel of record. If an insurance company is involved, a representative with complete settlement authority must attend.

TRIAL DATE: August 16, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. Trial will proceed until 4:00 p.m. each day. Counsel must be prepared to present testimony until 4:00 p.m. each day of trial unless otherwise notified by the court. **Due to the court's criminal call day schedule, trials will not go forward on Thursdays and will resume on Fridays.**

Fourteen days prior to trial, counsel will provide to the court trial briefs, all agreed and proposed jury instructions, interrogatories, verdict forms, written motions in limine or other trial-related motions, witness lists, exhibit lists, written stipulations, and transcriptions of deposition testimony. Accompanying any deposition transcript will be an objection log that lists the page and line of the objections, states the basis of the objections, and indicates which objections have been withdrawn. Plaintiff's counsel will email agreed-upon jury instructions to JudgeRossCourt@cpcourt.summitoh.net. Separate jury instructions on issues upon which agreement is not possible will be emailed by the party proposing such instructions.

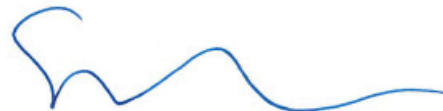
COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY: It is the duty of trial counsel to become familiar with the courtroom technology prior to the trial date. The court will not delay trial proceedings to provide instruction to counsel on its use.

BANKRUPTCY: Upon any party's filing of a bankruptcy petition, counsel is to file with the Summit County Clerk of Courts a notice of such filing indicating the name of the party, the bankruptcy case number, and the date of the filing. Upon discharge of the debtor, counsel for that party will notify the court.

SETTLEMENT: Counsel and/or the parties will fully comply with this order irrespective of the status of any settlement negotiations or any other considerations. It is the plaintiff's responsibility to notify the court when settlement is reached on cases assigned for trial. Plaintiff's counsel shall email Judicial Assistant Angelina Pallante at apallante@cpcourt.summitoh.net as soon as a settlement has been reached.

Failure to comply with this or any order of the court may result in sanctions being imposed, including adverse judgment for failure to prosecute or defend. See Loc.R. 8.01(F), Civ.R. 37, and Civ.R. 41(B)1).

IT IS SO ORDERED.



JUDGE SUSAN BAKER ROSS

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