

Cause No. \_\_\_\_\_

v. § IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
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§ FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS  
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§ 434<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

**DOCKET CONTROL ORDER**

The following docket control order shall apply to this case unless modified by the court. If no date is given below, the item is governed by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

- 1. **JOINDER.** All parties must be added and served, whether by amendment or third-party practice, by this date. **THE PARTY CAUSING THE JOINDER SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS DOCKET CONTROL ORDER AT THE TIME OF SERVICE.**
- 2. **EXPERT WITNESS DESIGNATION.** Expert witness designations are required and must be served by the following dates. The designation must include the information listed in Rule 194.2 (f). Failure to timely respond will be governed by Rule 193.6.
  - (a) Experts for parties seeking affirmative relief.
  - (b) All other experts.
- 3. **MEDIATION.** Parties must complete mediation by this date.
- 4. **DISCOVERY.** All discovery must be completed before the end of the discovery period. Parties seeking discovery must serve requests sufficiently far in advance of the end of the discovery period that the deadline for responding will be within the deadline to complete discovery.
- 5. **DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS AND PLEAS.** Must be heard by oral hearing.
  - (a) No-evidence motions for summary judgment may only be heard after this date.
  - (b) All other dispositive motions or pleas must be heard by this date.
- 6. **CHALLENGES TO EXPERT TESTIMONY.** All motions to exclude expert testimony and evidentiary challenges to expert testimony must be filed by this date, unless extended by leave of court.
- 7. **PLEADINGS.** All amendments and supplements must be filed by this date. This order does not preclude prompt filing of pleadings directly responsive to any timely filed pleadings.
- 8. **DOCKET CALL.** Parties shall be prepared to discuss all aspects of trial with the court on this date. **TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_. Failure to appear will be grounds for dismissal for want of prosecution.
- 9. **TRIAL.** If not assigned by the second Friday following this date, the case will be reset.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_.

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JUDGE PRESIDING