

CAUSE NO. _____

vs. _____

§ IN COUNTY COURT AT LAW
§
§ NO. 3
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§ GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

DISCOVERY AND DOCKET CONTROL ORDER

1. _____ New parties shall be joined and served by this date.
2. _____ Experts for all Plaintiffs shall be designated by this date.*
3. _____ Experts for all other parties shall be designated by this date (30 days after date Plaintiff's experts are ordered to be designated).*

***Any party designating a testifying expert witness is ORDERED to provide no later than the dates set for such designation, the information set forth in Rule 194.2(f) and a written report prepared by the expert setting the substance of the experts' opinions, unless a deposition is taken of the expert. An expert not designated prior to the ordered deadlines shall not be permitted to testify absent a showing of good cause.**

4. _____ Discovery shall be completed by this date. Discovery deadlines are controlled by designation of the case. Counsel may, by written agreement, continue discovery beyond this deadline. However, continuation of discovery beyond this deadline shall not delay the trial date.
5. _____ Pleadings must be amended or supplemented by this date, except by written agreement of all parties.
6. _____ Mediation shall be completed by this date. Objections to mediation must be filed no later than four (4) weeks before this date. If parties cannot agree as to a mediator then the parties shall notify the court and one will be appointed.
7. _____ All dispositive motions shall be filed no later than 30 days prior to trial. If a party desires a hearing, then a request for oral hearing is to be submitted along with the accompanying motion.
8. _____ (Fourteen (14) days prior to trial). Deadline to file all motions, *except* motions in limine and dispositive motions. If a party desires a hearing, then a request for oral hearing is to be submitted along with the accompanying motion. A motion for continuance must be filed **at least seven (7) days prior to the pre-trial conference date.**

9. _____ Pre-Trial Conference will be held at _____ a.m. Trial counsel or pro-se parties are ordered to attend and to be prepared to discuss all aspects of the case and trial. **Failure to appear will be grounds for dismissal for want of prosecution.** A motion for continuance must be filed **at least seven (7) days prior to the pre-trial conference date.**

10. _____ Trial by jury is set for two-week docket beginning on this date. Prior to commencement of voir dire, parties are ordered to exchange the following and discuss what the parties will agree to and what issues are contested:

- Proposed jury instructions and questions
- Motions in Limine
- Exhibit lists and exhibits. Exhibits are to be labeled in accordance with the Court's "Procedures for Exhibits for Trials and Hearings"
- Witness lists (inform court at earliest opportunity of scheduling problems)

11. _____ Trial before Court is set for one-week docket beginning on this date. Prior to commencement of trial, parties are ordered to exchange exhibit lists and exhibits, and witness lists. All exhibits are to be labeled and numbered in accordance with the Court's "Procedures for Exhibits for Trials and Hearings." Inform court at earliest opportunity of witness scheduling problems, if any.

Signed by: _____
Plaintiff's Counsel or Party if *pro se* Defendant's Counsel or Party if *pro se*

SIGNED on this _____ day of _____, _____.

JACK D. EWING, JUDGE
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