IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.:

DIVISION:

Plaintiff

v.

Defendant.

ORDER SETTING WITHOUT PREJUDICE CASE MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE FOR A JURY TRIAL IN A STREAMLINED CASE

THIS CAUSE, having come before the Court for entry of a Case Management Order (CMO), in an action that can be tried in less than two days. This case involves few parties, noncomplex legal issues related to liability and damages, few anticipated pretrial motions, limited need for discovery, few witnesses, and minimal documentary evidence. Consequently, this Court designates this matter as **STREAMLINED**, pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2021-10.

To comply with the Florida Supreme Court's AOSC 20-23, Amendment 12 and Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 2.545(a), (b), and (e) that require judges to conclude litigation as soon as it is reasonably and justly possible to do so, to take charge of all cases at an early stage, to control the progress of the case until it is determined, and to apply a firm continuance policy allowing continuances only for good cause shown,

It is **ORDERED**:

1. The maximum periods for the deadlines in jury trials are as follows:

- (a) Plaintiff shall have **120 days** from the date of filing the complaint to serve all Defendants. Extensions for service of the complaint shall be allowed upon a showing of good cause.
- (b) The parties shall transmit a copy of the CMO to the assigned judge's judicial assistant.
- (c) The parties shall give notice of any potential additional parties within **45 days** of the date of this CMO.
- (d) All objections and motions directed to pleadings shall be resolved within **75 days** of the date of this CMO.
- (e) Additional parties shall be added within **75 days** of the date of this CMO unless good cause is demonstrated.
- (f) Fact discovery, including depositions of fact witnesses, shall be completed within **9 months** of the date of this CMO.
- (g) Expert discovery, including expert depositions, shall be completed within **9 months** of the date of this CMO.
- (h) All pretrial motions shall be resolved before the pretrial conference.
- (i) Mediation shall have occurred within 12 months of the date of this CMO.
- (j) The projected trial date at this time is **15 months** from the date of this CMO.
- 2. The presiding judge will set a hearing when the case is at issue pursuant to Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.440 at which time trial dates will be scheduled.
- 3. The deadlines established in this CMO shall be enforced, absent good cause shown. Failure to comply in good faith with the requirements of this CMO by either party may result in dismissal and/or the imposition of other sanctions by the Court.
- 4. The Plaintiff shall promptly notify the presiding judge if the case is settled.
- 5. Plaintiff shall serve a copy of this CMO along with the summons upon all other parties.

6. This CMO shall be without prejudice to any party to seek modification of this CMO.

DONE in Chambers at Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida.

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MAR'K H. MAHON CHIEF JUDGE

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