

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE
DISTRICT OF VERMONT

JANET JENKINS, ET AL., :
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 Plaintiffs, :
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 v. : Case No. 2:12-cv-184
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 KENNETH L. MILLER ET AL., :
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 Defendants. :

**ORDER RE: EMERGENCY MOTION TO STAY CIVIL ACTION AGAINST
DEFENDANT LISA MILLER, MOTION TO COMPEL DEFENDANTS PHILIP
ZODHIATES, VICTORIA HYDEN, AND RESPONSE UNLIMITED, INC. TO
PRODUCE DOCUMENTS AND PETITION FOR DISCLOSURE OF VICTORIA
HYDEN'S GRAND JURY TESTIMONY TRANSCRIPT**

(ECF Nos. 670, 671)

On April 16, 2021, this Court granted Defendant Lisa Miller's Emergency Motion to Stay this civil case against her. ECF No. 686. The Court also required counsel to file memoranda within 10 days as to whether the remainder of the case should also be stayed. The parties filed the memoranda and, having read the briefs, the Court now **grants** their joint requests to stay the entire case pending the resolution of Lisa Miller's criminal case, rather than proceeding piecemeal against the other Defendants.

In her memorandum, Janet Jenkins asks the Court to stay the entire case but to first order the parties to produce forthwith all discovery that this Court has already ordered must be produced, as well as to grant her unopposed motion to compel and

petition to disclose. The Court **denies** this request, and **denies** the unopposed motion without prejudice subject to renewal when the stay is lifted (ECF No. 670). Permitting discovery to continue, even as to evidence already addressed by the Court, would invite disputes over compliance. Those disputes would have to be resolved without Defendant Lisa Miller's input. That is contrary to the central purpose of the stay. A global stay of the entire case is effective immediately. Discovery will continue when the criminal case against Lisa Miller is over, at which time Defendants will have to produce all discovery that this Court has previously ordered them to and Plaintiffs may renew their unopposed motion.

DATED at Burlington, in the District of Vermont, this 30th day of April, 2021.

/s/ William K. Sessions III
William K. Sessions III
U.S. District Court Judge