

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
Southern Division**

JENNIFER ELLER,

Plaintiff,

v.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 18-cv-03649

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's Order (ECF No. 78) requesting the submission of a Joint Status Report no later than 14 days after the resolution of Plaintiff's Motion for Discovery Sanctions (ECF No. 84), Plaintiff Jennifer Eller and Defendants Prince George's County Public Schools, Prince George's County Public Schools Board of Education, and Monica Goldson (collectively, "Defendants") hereby submit this Joint Status Report.

1. Status of Discovery

The discovery period, extended last by an Order granting Defendants' Motion to Extend Deadlines, closed on August 13, 2020 (ECF No. 69). Prior to discovery closing, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Intent to File a Motion for Discovery Sanctions (ECF No. 73), and subsequently filed that motion on the schedule set by the Court (ECF No. 75). Magistrate Judge Sullivan filed an Order granting in part and denying in part the Motion for Sanctions on December 14, 2020 (ECF No. 84). The parties do not anticipate any additional discovery at this time.

2. Recommended Changes to the Case Schedule

In light of the resolution of Plaintiff's Motion for Discovery Sanctions (ECF No. 84), and the expectation of no additional discovery, the parties request that the Court resume proceedings in this case. When the Court entered an Order tolling all other case deadlines (ECF No. 78), only one deadline remained: the deadline for any party to file a notice of an intent to file dispositive pretrial motions. On September 1, 2020, when the Court entered the tolling order, that deadline was set for October 1, 2020. *See* ECF No. 69. The parties agree that the case should resume on the Court's previously designated timeframe, making the new deadline for filing a notice of an intent to file dispositive pretrial motions January 28, 2021—one month from the submission of this Joint Status Report.

3. Any Other Matter That the Parties Believe Should Be Brought to the Court's Attention

The parties previously expressed to the Court that they are amenable to a mediation session before a Magistrate Judge (ECF No. 74). On September 2, 2020, the Court referred this case to Magistrate Judge Charles B. Day for the purposes of a settlement conference or other alternative dispute resolution (ECF No. 79). The parties intend to reach out to Magistrate Judge Day to express their desire to schedule a mediation session.

Dated: December 28, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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