

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION**

GERALD LYNN BOSTOCK,

Plaintiff,

v.

CLAYTON COUNTY,

Defendant.

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1:16-CV-01460-ELR

ORDER

Presently pending before the Court is the Parties’ “Consent Motion to Stay Pending Mediation.” [Doc. 176]. By their motion, the Parties jointly request “an order staying all deadlines in this matter, including the deadline for filing objections” to the Final Report and Recommendation Magistrate Judge Walter E. Johnson entered in this matter on June 7, 2022 (the “R&R”). [Doc. 166]. This is the Parties’ fourth request for an extension of the deadline to file objections to the R&R. [See Docs. 170, 172, 174, 176]. The Parties request this fourth extension of the deadline to file objections so they can prepare for a mediation that they “intend to schedule” for “September or early October 2022.” [See Doc. 176 at 1].

District courts have “broad discretion over the management of pre-trial activities, including . . . scheduling.” Johnson v. Bd. of Regents of Univ. of Ga., 263

F.3d 1234, 1269 (11th Cir. 2001). Upon review and in exercise of its broad discretion over scheduling matters, the Court **GRANTS IN PART AND DENIES IN PART** the Parties' "Consent Motion to Stay Pending Mediation." [Doc. 176]. Specifically, the Court **STAYS** this case until November 30, 2022, and **DIRECTS** the Parties to file any objections to the R&R no later than November 30, 2022. Further, the Court **DIRECTS** the Parties to conduct any mediation within enough time to allow them to file any objections to the R&R by November 30, 2022. The Court encourages the Parties to mediate this matter as soon as possible and to file any objections as far in advance of November 30, 2022, as possible. The Court is not inclined to grant any further extensions of the objections deadline.

Finally, the Court **ORDERS** the Parties to (1) within five days of scheduling the mediation, notify the Court of the date on which the mediation will take place and (2) within five days of the mediation occurring, advise the Court as to whether the mediation successfully resolved this case.

SO ORDERED, this 8th day of August, 2022.



Eleanor L. Ross
United States District Judge
Northern District of Georgia