

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

RICHARD ROE, ET AL.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

LLOYD J. AUSTIN, ET AL.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:18-cv-01565

NICHOLAS HARRISON, ET AL.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

LLOYD J. AUSTIN, ET AL.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:18-cv-00641

JOINT MOTION TO HOLD FEE PETITION IN ABEYANCE

On August 5, 2022, Plaintiffs filed a motion for attorney fees and expenses in *Harrison* (Dkt. 328) and *Roe* (Dkt. 342). The parties have conferred and now respectfully request that the Court hold those motions in abeyance. The parties agree to waive any hearing or oral argument on this motion.

Good cause exists to support this motion. The parties are engaged in ongoing settlement negotiations concerning the fee petition and hope to reach an agreed resolution without the need for further intervention by the Court. The approaching deadlines related to the fee petition burden the parties' resources that would otherwise be directed towards pursuing a negotiated resolution.

The parties respectfully propose that they file a joint status report regarding the status of fee negotiations no later than September 30, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, on the 26th day of August, 2022, I caused this document to be filed electronically through the Court's CM/ECF system, which automatically sent a notice of electronic filing to all counsel of record.

Dated: August 26, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ John W.H. Harding

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[PROPOSED] ORDER

After considering the parties' Joint Motion to Hold Fee Petition in Abeyance in the above captioned cases, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED. The parties shall file a Joint Status Report by September 30, 2022.

Entered this ____ day of August, 2022.

Leonie M. Brinkema
United States District Judge