

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
WEST PALM BEACH DIVISION

No. 9:18-CV-80771-ROSENBERG/REINHART

ROBERT W. OTTO, PH.D. LMFT,  
individually and on behalf of his patients,  
and JULIE H. HAMILTON, PH.D., LMFT,  
individually and on behalf of her patients,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CITY OF BOCA RATON, FLORIDA,  
and COUNTY OF PALM BEACH,  
FLORIDA,

Defendants.

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**PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO  
DEFENDANT PALM BEACH COUNTY'S MOTION TO EXCEED PAGE LIMITATION**

Plaintiffs, pursuant to the Court's Order of June 16, 2023 (Doc. 225) and Local Rule 7.1(c)(1), respond in opposition to Defendant Palm Beach County's Motion to Exceed Page Limitation (Doc. 223):

The County seeks leave to file a 30-page response in opposition to Plaintiffs' 15-page Verified Motion for Attorney's Fees and Non-Taxable Expenses and Costs (Doc. 221). But allowing the County 10 pages over the limit to respond to a motion that was 5 pages under the limit would be excessive. "A request for attorney's fees should not result in a second major litigation." *Hensley v. Eckerhart*, 461 U.S. 424, 437 (1983). Plaintiffs met their filing burden under Local Rule 7.3 in a 15-page motion, and the County should be able to say all it needs to say in response within the standard 20-page limit of Local Rule 7.1(c)(2).

Moreover, under the same Local Rule, Plaintiffs will be limited to 10 pages to reply to the County's response, which will be insufficient if the County is allowed 30 pages. Thus, any excess pages granted to the County should result in a commensurate increase in pages for Plaintiffs' reply.

Respectfully submitted,

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