

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

HOPE AMSPACHER, Administrator of the Estate of Zachary Kirchner, <i>et al.</i> ,	:	Civil No. 1:23-CV-00286
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Plaintiffs,	:	
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v.	:	
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RED LION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, <i>et al.</i> ,	:	
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Defendants.	:	Judge Jennifer P. Wilson

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER

Counsel participated in a telephonic status conference with the court on September 20, 2023, at which time, agreements were reached by the parties in consultation with the court after review of the parties' joint case management plan. The following summary of dates and deadlines is provided for convenience, but counsel shall review the entirety of this order.

Summary of Dates and Deadlines

Joinder of additional parties:	July 30, 2024
Amended pleadings:	July 30, 2024
Discovery Disputes: (6-weeks prior)	August 19, 2024
Status conference:	August 28, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.
Fact discovery:	September 30, 2024
Dispositive motions and supporting briefs:	October 31, 2024
Plaintiff's expert reports:	October 31, 2024
Defendant's expert reports:	December 6, 2024
Supplemental and rebuttal expert reports:	December 20, 2024
Expert discovery:	January 17, 2025
Motions in limine and supporting briefs:	February 5, 2025
Pretrial memoranda:	March 5, 2025
Proposed voir dire and jury instructions:	March 5, 2025
Final pretrial conference:	March 19, 2025
Trial:	April 7, 2025

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Joinder of Additional Parties and Amended Pleadings.** All additional parties shall be joined by **July 30, 2024**. Amended pleadings are due by **July 30, 2024**.
- 2. Trial List.** The above case is hereby placed on the April, 2025, trial list. Jury selection for trials on this list will commence at 9:30 a.m. on **April 7, 2025**, in Courtroom No. 1, Eighth Floor, in the Sylvia H. Rambo United States Courthouse, 1501 N. 6th Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Counsel are attached for trial. Trials will commence immediately following the completion of jury selections. Counsel should note that criminal matters take priority over and may delay the beginning of the civil trial list.
- 3. Discovery Disputes.** The final deadline to file a discovery dispute shall be six (6) weeks prior to the close of fact discovery.
- 4. Status Conference.** A status conference will be conducted via telephone by the court on **August 28, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.** The parties shall call-in to the conference calling number 877-336-1828, using the access code 2529544. The purpose of this conference will be to discuss any outstanding discovery issues, settlement options, and any other issues. Participation in this conference by counsel and by self-represented parties is mandatory. Any counsel of record may participate in this conference call.

5. Fact Discovery. Fact discovery shall be completed by **September 30, 2024**.

All requests for extensions of this deadline shall be made at least fourteen days before the expiration of the discovery period.

6. Expert Reports and Expert Discovery. Plaintiff's expert reports are due on **October 31, 2024**. Defendant's expert reports are due on **December 6, 2024**.

Supplemental and rebuttal expert reports are due on **December 20, 2024**. Expert discovery shall be completed by **January 17, 2025**.

7. Dispositive Motions. Dispositive motions and supporting briefs shall be filed by. Briefing on dispositive motions shall comply with Local Rules 7.4, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, and 56.1, except that briefs in support of any dispositive motions shall be filed by the above date **October 31, 2024**.

8. Motions in Limine. Motions in limine and supporting briefs shall be filed by **February 5, 2025**.

9. Pretrial Memoranda, Voir Dire, Jury Instructions and Verdict Form.

Pretrial memoranda, proposed voir dire questions, the joint voir dire fact statement, proposed jury instructions, and proposed verdict form shall be filed by **March 5, 2025**. No later than seven days before this date, counsel shall hold a conference as indicated in Local Rule 16.3.

10. Final Pretrial Conference. A final pretrial conference will be held on **March 19, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.**, in Courtroom No. 1, Eighth Floor, of the Sylvia H. Rambo United States Courthouse, 1501 N. 6th Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

11. The court will not consider any submission filed after the deadlines established in this Order or, in the absence of a court order, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or the Local Rules of the Middle District of Pennsylvania, unless counsel includes a written explanation for the lateness along with the late submission and the court concludes that the lateness was substantially justified or unavoidable.

s/Jennifer P. Wilson
JENNIFER P. WILSON
United States District Judge
Middle District of Pennsylvania

Dated: September 22, 2023