

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

In re:)	Chapter 7
)	Case No. Judge John H. Squires
)	Adversary No.
Debtor.)	
_____)	
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Plaintiff,)	
v.)	
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Defendant.)	

FINAL PRETRIAL ORDER

A pretrial conference was held on _____ before Bankruptcy Judge John H. Squires. A final hearing has been set. The following provisions will govern the future course of this proceeding in this case unless modified to prevent injustice:

ADMISSIONS

All well-pleaded facts admitted in the pleadings are admitted into evidence.

STIPULATIONS

To the extent reasonably possible, the parties will stipulate to facts and documents, and their said stipulations are admitted into evidence.

PLEADINGS

No further pleadings are sought by any party.

ISSUES

As drawn by the parties in their joint pretrial statement.

EXHIBITS

At least fourteen (14) days prior to the trial date, all parties are to exchange and file with

the Court copies of all exhibits they intend to introduce in evidence. If no written objection is made to the Court and no copy of the objection is tendered to the proponent within seven (7) days of the receipt of the proposed exhibit, such exhibits will be received in evidence without any further authentication.

Each party shall clearly number each proposed exhibit in the order of its probable presentation at trial (each document shall be given a separate exhibit number) and prepare a list of those numbered exhibits with a very brief identification of each. Copies of that exhibit list shall be exchanged with the copies of exhibits provided in the prior paragraph and two (2) copies of the exhibit list shall be filed with the Court.

WITNESSES

At least fourteen (14) days prior to the trial date, the parties are to exchange and file with the Court the names of all witnesses they intend to present at trial together with a brief summary of the area of testimony said witness will present. All reasonably anticipated objections to testimony and all motions to limit testimony of a witness identified by an opposing party shall be made within seven (7) days after receipt of the witness list required by this paragraph.

DISCOVERY

Discovery is to be completed within fourteen (14) days of the trial date.

DEPOSITIONS

If deposition transcripts are to be used, counsel shall submit a list of all depositions, and identify the portions thereof to be read into evidence. If any party objects to the admissibility of any portion of any deposition, the name of the party objecting and the grounds shall be stated in writing before the trial date and the parties shall be prepared to present to the Court a copy of a sufficient portion of the deposition transcript to permit the objection to be ruled on in limine at such time as directed to do so. All irrelevant and redundant material and all attorney colloquy must be eliminated when the deposition is to be read at the trial. If a video deposition is proposed to be used, opposing counsel must be so advised sufficiently before the trial date to permit any objection to be made and ruled on by the Court.

MOTIONS

All other motions, including summary judgment motions, must be fully briefed and be set for hearing not less than sixty (60) days before trial date.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Seven (7) days prior to the trial, each party shall file with the Court and serve on opposing parties proposed detailed findings of fact and conclusions of law. A brief memorandum of authority for the conclusions may be filed with the proposed findings and conclusions.

SANCTIONS

Failure to comply with the terms of this Order will result in appropriate sanctions being imposed. Possible sanctions include, but are not limited to:

1. If any party fails to exchange and file copies of all exhibits with the Court, as prescribed in this Order, that party may be precluded from introducing any exhibits into evidence.
2. Failure by any party to exchange and file with the Court the names of all witnesses and a brief summary of the area of testimony each witness will present, as specified in this Order, may result in that party being barred from presenting any witnesses.
3. If any party fails to file with the Court and serve upon opposing parties proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, as specified in this Order, that party may be bound to those findings of fact and conclusions of law properly filed with this Court by the opposing party.

TRIAL DATE

A trial is set for _____, beginning at 1:00 p.m. All parties agree that 1 (½) one half day will be sufficient. The hearing will be held at the United States Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn Street, Room 680, Chicago, Illinois.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2007.

JOHN H. SQUIRES
United States Bankruptcy Judge

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