

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

In Re:	)	
	)	Case No.
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v.	)	Adversary No.
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**ORDER SETTING PRELIMINARY PRETRIAL CONFERENCE**

This adversary proceeding/contested matter is set for preliminary pretrial conference under the Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure, Rule 7016 (incorporating Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(c)), on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ in Courtroom \_\_\_\_\_,

are directed to confer beforehand concerning the following matters, on which the court may take appropriate action at the pretrial conference:

1. the existence of disputes concerning jurisdiction or venue;
2. formulation and simplification of issues, including the elimination of claims and defenses;
3. the need to amend the pleadings, join additional parties, or file motions attacking the pleadings;
4. the need for (additional) discovery, including expert witness discovery, and the timing of needed discovery;

5. identification of the principal **uncontested** facts and issues of law,  
(and if the box contains "X").,  
**G** Prepare a joint comprehensive stipulation of all *uncontested* facts on which will become a part of the evidentiary record in the proceeding, and a comprehensive statement of legal issues about which there is no dispute, which will bind the parties at trial;<sup>1</sup>
6. identification of the principal **contested** issues of fact and law,  
(and if box contains "X"),  
**G** Prepare a joint comprehensive statement of all *contested* facts on which evidence will be offered and a comprehensive statement of legal issues about which will need to be resolved;
7. the appropriateness and timing of summary disposition under Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure;
8. the possibility of settlement, the need for court assistance in settlement, or referral to mediation under local Rules 1000 *et seq.*;
9. with respect to the possibility of referral to mediation under local Rules 1000 *et seq* counsel should be prepared to address what steps have been taken to explain mediation to the parties and whether the parties will consent to mediation;
10. the need for and timing of submission of a Final Pretrial Order, and proposed trial dates; and
11. such other matters as may facilitate the just, speedy, and inexpensive disposition of this proceeding.

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Judge

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup>*Proposed stipulated facts shall be stated in neutral language so as to encourage stipulation. Where disagreement arises as to the form of a proposed fact statement, counsel shall endeavor to compromise towards reaching acceptable statement of facts.*