

**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA
COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION**

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No.

Division:

Defendants.

**DIFFERENTIATED CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER
ESTABLISHING DEADLINES**

**(GENERAL COUNTY CIVIL CASES
FILED AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025)**

THIS CAUSE comes before the Court in accordance with Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.200 and Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Administrative Order S-2024-086 (the “**Case Management Plan**”) or any successor administrative order.

Accordingly, it is now

FOUND, ORDERED, and ADJUDGED that:

1. **Designation of Case.** This case is preliminarily designated as a *General* civil case, as defined by Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.200.
2. **Plaintiff’s Obligation to Serve DCM Order on All Defendants.** Consistent with the Case Management Plan, this Differentiated Case Management Order Establishing Deadlines (the “**DCM Order**”) has been generated automatically upon the filing of the complaint and must be provided to Plaintiff along with the summons. Plaintiff is **DIRECTED** to serve the DCM Order on each and every named

defendant in the same manner and at the same time as the complaint itself is served.

3. **Conformity with Time Standards.** The deadlines established in this DCM Order are set in contemplation of the time standards specified in Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.250(a)(1)(B).
4. **Procedure for Modification of Deadlines.** Counsel or any self-represented parties, or both, may seek to modify the deadlines set forth in this order by either:
 - a. Filing a motion in accordance with Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.200(e)(3) and setting it for hearing; or
 - b. Stipulating to new deadlines and submitting an Amended Differentiated Case Management Order (“**Amended DCM Order**”) in substantially the same form as this DCM Order and containing the same deadline categories. An Amended DCM Order form is available under the “Forms” tab of the undersigned’s page at <http://www.fljud13.org>.
5. **Firm Trial Date to be Set by Uniform Trial Scheduling Order.** The deadlines set forth in this DCM Order contemplate a projected trial date within 18 months after the filing of the complaint. A firm pretrial conference and trial date will be set through entry of a separate Uniform Trial Scheduling Order by the presiding judge for each civil case.
6. **Failure to Comply.** The failure to comply with any part of this DCM Order may result in dismissal of the complaint without prejudice; entry of a judicial default; monetary sanctions against counsel or any unrepresented parties, or both; or any other sanctions deemed appropriate by the Court.
7. **Requirement to Review and Comply with Administrative Order for County Civil Division.** Counsel and any self-represented parties are **DIRECTED** to review and comply with all provisions of Administrative Order S-2024-071 (*County Civil Division*), and any successive administrative orders as well as the presiding judge’s procedures and preferences available under the

“Procedures/Preferences” tab of the undersigned’s page at <http://www.fljud13.org>.

8. **Deadlines.** The deadlines set forth herein are **ESTABLISHED** and will **GOVERN** this case and will be strictly enforced by the Court. Counsel and any self-represented parties are **DIRECTED** to review, calendar, and abide by them.

Complaint filing date.	
Deadline for service of complaint. [120 days after filing of complaint; see Rule 1.070(j), Fla. R. Civ. P.]	
Deadline for adding parties. [150 days after filing of complaint; subject to Rule 1.210, Fla. R. Civ. P.]	
Deadline for service under extensions. [180 days after filing of complaint; see Rule 1.070(j), Fla. R. Civ. P.]	
Deadline for completion of fact discovery. [270 day after filing of complaint.] [NOTE: All discovery must be served in time for a timely response to be received prior to the deadline for completion of fact discovery. All non-expert witness depositions must occur prior to the completion of fact discovery. Failure to timely complete discovery by the deadline may result in, among other things, exclusion of evidence and/or sanctions.]	
Deadline for filing motion to compel discovery. [284 days after filing of complaint.]	
Plaintiff’s expert disclosure deadline.	

[300 days after filing of complaint.]	
Defendant's expert disclosure deadline. [330 days after filing of complaint.]	
Rebuttal expert disclosure deadline. [344 days after filing of complaint.]	
Deadline for filing stipulated Notice for Trial or a Motion to Set Case for Trial. [360 days after filing of complaint.]	
Deadline for completion of compulsory medical exam, if applicable and requested ("CME"). [390 days after filing of complaint; subject to Rule 1.360(1)(A), Fla. R. Civ. P.]	
Deadline for completion of alternative dispute resolution. [390 days after filing of complaint.]	
Deadline for completion of expert discovery. [420 days after filing of complaint.]	
Deadline for filing and service of any <i>Daubert</i> motion, objection to pleadings, dispositive motions including motions for summary judgment or any other pretrial motion excluding motions in limine. [420 days after filing of complaint.]	
Date of the pretrial meeting between counsel and any unrepresented parties. [450 days after filing of complaint.]	
Deadline for filing the joint final pretrial statement, any motion in limine, proposed jury instructions, and verdict form.	

[480 days after filing of complaint.]	
Date of the final pretrial conference. [510 days after filing of complaint.]	
Deadline for resolution of all motions and objections. [535 days after filing of complaint.]	
Month and year of the projected trial term. [540 days after filing of complaint; the trial week will be set by an Order Setting Case for Trial and Pretrial at a later date; see Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.250(a)(1)(B).]	

ENTERED by the undersigned judge on the date imprinted below.

COUNTY JUDGE