

406th JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
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PRE-TRIAL GUIDELINE ORDER

Cause No.: _____

Style: _____

Vs. _____

Expedited Action: _____ Level One: _____ Level Two: _____ Level Three: _____

This Pre-Trial Guideline Order must be completed, executed and filed with the Court by the _____ day of _____, 20____ or the parties must appear for a Pre-Trial Conference on _____ for entry of a Pre-Trial Guideline Order.

Jury Trial/Trial Date: _____ Estimated time/duration of trial: _____

Final Pre-Trial Conference Date: _____. All Trial Motions, Jury Questions, and Jury Instructions shall be filed by the Final Pre-Trial Conference Date. All Exhibits must be presented for inspection at the Final Pre-Trial Conference and a list of Exhibits must be provided to opposing counsel at the Final Pre-Trial.

Plaintiff's Amended Pleadings will be due: _____

Defendant's Amended Pleadings will be due: _____

Deadline for Plaintiff to designate testifying experts: _____

Deadline for Defendant to designate testifying experts: _____

Deadline to conduct discovery will be 30 days prior to trial unless the case is a divorce case. If the case is a divorce case, discovery may be conducted up to the date of trial.

Deadline for Alternate Dispute Resolution: _____ Interpreter: Yes / No _____

Mediation will be ordered by the Court in all contested cases and ONLY the Court will appoint the Mediator, unless there is an agreement. If the parties agree on a mediator who is available before the ADR deadline, the parties shall submit an Order of Appointment to the Court. If mediation has not occurred by ADR deadline, the parties are subject to attending a mandatory settlement conference prior to jury selection at the Court's availability.

Deadline for **Robinson Motion to Strike Expert Witness** for lack of foundation for Opinion: _____ (Must be at least 60 days before trial).

Motions for Summary Judgment need to be filed before: _____ (Must be at least 30 days before Pre-Trial). Summary Judgments shall be set for hearing by submission unless the Movant, or Respondent, requests an oral hearing and obtains approval by the Court.

As per Local Rule 3.28, a court hearing or jury trial setting may be passed upon written notification of settlement by the parties, written agreement or motion for continuance of all parties, or a motion for continuance timely filed pursuant to TRCP, with the Court's consent. As per Local Rule 3.26, a **Certificate of Conference** is required on all contested motions, other than dispositive motions, filed in civil and family law cases.

If the case is a Level Three case, the Parties may enter into a Discovery Control Plan in accordance with Rule 190.4 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. All cases deemed to be "expedited actions" shall be designated as such within 30 days after service of process has been executed. In all designated expedited actions, the parties shall follow the deadlines and time limits pursuant to Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 190.2 and 169d. In addition, either Party may request one or more Pre-Trial Conferences in accordance with Rules 166 and 190.4 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. The request for the Pre-Trial Conference must be filed no later than 90 days prior to the trial date.

The Plaintiff(s) and the Defendant(s) acknowledge that this Pre-Trial Guideline Order shall constitute a binding agreement between the Parties as defined by Rule 11 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure and shall serve as a modification of the discovery procedure as provided for in Rule 191.1 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. Except as to the Trial date, the parties may, with approval of the Court, modify the deadlines set forth in this Order by an agreement that complies with Rule 11 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

Approved:

Oscar J. Hale, Jr., Judge
406th Judicial District Court

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