

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Three Angels Broadcasting,

Plaintiff,

v.

Joy, et al.,

Defendant(s).

**CIVIL ACTION
NO. 07-40098-FDS**

SCHEDULING ORDER

SAYLOR, J.

This Scheduling Order is intended to provide a reasonable timetable for discovery and motion practice in order to help ensure a fair and just resolution of this matter without undue expense or delay.

Timetable for Discovery and Motion Practice

Pursuant to Rule 16(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Local Rule 16.1(F), it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. Initial Disclosures.** Initial disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1) must be completed by 8/3/07.
- 2. Amendments to Pleadings.** Except for good cause shown, no motions seeking leave to add new parties or to amend the pleadings to assert new claims or defenses may be filed after 9/15/07.
- 3. Fact Discovery - Interim Deadlines.**
 - a.** All requests for production of documents and interrogatories must be served by 2/28/08.
 - b.** All requests for admission must be served by 2/28/08.
 - c.** All depositions, other than expert depositions, must be completed by 4/30/08.

4. **Fact Discovery - Final Deadline.** All discovery, other than expert discovery, must be completed by 4/30/08.
5. **Status Conference.** A **Case Management Conference** will be held on 12/13/07 at 2:00pm, and a further **Status Conference** will be held on 5/6/08 at 2:00pm.
6. **Expert Discovery.**
 - a. Plaintiff(s)' trial experts must be designated, and the information contemplated by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) must be disclosed, by 5/30/08.
 - b. Plaintiff(s)' trial experts must be deposed by 7/31/08.
 - c. Defendant(s)' trial experts must be designated, and the information contemplated by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) must be disclosed, by 6/30/08.
 - d. Defendant(s)' trial experts must be deposed by 7/31/08.
7. **Dispositive Motions.**
 - a. Dispositive motions, such as motions for summary judgment or partial summary judgment and motions for judgment on the pleadings, must be filed by 9/5/08.
 - b. Oppositions to dispositive motions must be filed within 21 days after service of the motion.
8. **Initial Pretrial Conference.** An initial pretrial conference will be held on _____ at _____ pm. The parties shall prepare and submit a pretrial memorandum in accordance with Local Rule 16.5(D) five business days prior to the date of the conference, except that the parties need not include matters required by Local Rule 16.5(D)(2) or (3).

Procedural Provisions

1. **Extension of Deadlines.**
 - a. **Fact Discovery - Interim Deadlines.** The parties may extend any interim deadline for fact discovery by mutual written agreement filed with the court.
 - b. **Fact Discovery - Final Deadline; Expert Discovery.** The parties may extend the final deadline for fact discovery or the deadlines for expert discovery for a combined total of up to 30 days by mutual written agreement filed with the court.

6. **Early Resolution of Issues.** The court recognizes that, in some cases, resolution of one or more preliminary issues may remove a significant impediment to settlement or otherwise expedite resolution of the case. Counsel are encouraged to identify any such issues and to make appropriate motions at an early stage in the litigation.

7. **Pretrial Conference.** Lead trial counsel are required to attend any pretrial conference.

7/24/07
Date

By the Court,
/s/ Martin Castles
Deputy Clerk