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# JUDGE GORDON

CIVIL DIVISION  
1-WEEK ORCA CIVIL JURY TRIAL  
2/27/2023  
9:00 AM  
COURTROOM TBD

The following cases have been set for trial on the Court's One 1 Week Civil Jury Trial Calendar beginning on Monday, February 27, 2023. Timely and properly-filed leaves of absence will be honored. Failure to appear or to present admissible evidence may result in dismissal of the Complaint with prejudice or striking of the Answer and entry of default judgment as appropriate.

In the event that a case has been included on both this calendar and another calendar, both calendars will remain in effect. A case may be reached on one calendar before it is reached on the other. If you have any questions, please contact Staff Attorney Meredith Gifford by email at [meredith.gifford@fultoncountyga.gov](mailto:meredith.gifford@fultoncountyga.gov).

In all cases, counsel and/or self-represented parties must consult with each other regarding:

1. phone number and email addresses for all counsel and pro se parties;
2. type of trial jury 6 or 12 person or bench;
3. the anticipated length of trial;
4. number of witnesses;
5. the need for a court reporter;
6. whether an interpreter is needed;
7. for cases in which a Case Management Order was entered

mandating mediation, the parties must certify that the mediation requirement has been satisfied. Failure by the parties to complete mediation within the required time-frame, unless excused or extended in writing by this Court, may result in sanctions, including the dismissal of the action without prejudice and imposition of attorney's fees; and

8. any other pertinent scheduling considerations or particular courtroom requirements.

Plaintiff's counsel must report on such matters to Staff Attorney Meredith Gifford by email to [meredith.gifford@fultoncountyga.gov](mailto:meredith.gifford@fultoncountyga.gov) copying counsel for all parties by 12:00 Noon on Monday, February 13, 2023. In cases involving a self-repre-

sented plaintiff, the plaintiff and defendant's counsel must report. THERE WILL BE NO CONTINUANCES FROM THIS CALENDAR, EXCEPT FOR LEGAL CAUSE. A case from this calendar may only be continued by the court in writing. All requests for continuances must be in writing.

THERE WILL NOT BE A CALENDAR CALL. Counsel and self-represented parties in the first case to be tried will be notified by the Court. CASES WILL NOT NECESSARILY BE TRIED IN THE ORDER THEY ARE PUBLISHED.

This is a Continuing Calendar and all cases will be on call for the entire calendar, subject to two-hour notice. All cases that are not reached on this calendar will be carried over to any subsequent calendar until they are reached for trial.

Settlement/Dismissal: If the case has been settled, dismissed, or otherwise completed, upon providing notice to Ms. Gifford via email, the parties may be excused from appearing. All parties must appear unless they have received written notice that they are excused. Consolidated Pre-Trial Order: A consolidated pre-trial order CPTO and any motions in limine should already have been submitted. In the event that a CPTO and motions in limine have not already been submitted, then they must be submitted no later than 12:00 Noon on Monday, February 13, 2023, unless otherwise instructed by the Court. Counsel shall consolidate the proposed pre-trial order. Failure of a party to submit its portion of

the proposed pre-trial order may result in sanctions. Uniform Superior Court Rule 7.1.

**Motions in Limine:** Except for unforeseen evidentiary issues, all motions in limine and responses thereto should have been filed contemporaneously with, or as a part of, the proposed CPTO. The Court will hear oral argument, if necessary, prior to trial. Parties must confer before trial to narrow the motions in limine for argument. Parties acknowledge that counsel are directed to notify the Court on the record at the time of any alleged violation, of the contention that the Court's ruling on a motion in limine has been violated during trial.

**Deposition Objections:** Prior to trial, counsel shall make a good faith effort to resolve any objections in depositions to be presented at trial. All unresolved objections, together with the deposition transcript, argument, and citations, shall be eFiled contemporaneously but separately from the CPTO, with a copy emailed to Ms. Gifford no later than 12:00 Noon on Monday, February 13, 2023.

**Conflicts:** If an attorney has a conflict, a conflict letter in full compliance with Rule 17.1 is REQUIRED. If a self-represented party has a conflict, s/he must email Ms. Gifford no later than Monday, February 13, 2023 at 12:00 Noon.

When the case is called for trial, counsel shall be prepared to E-File proposed jury instructions and email a copy in Word version to Ms. Gifford, no later than the evening before the final day of trial, or as otherwise directed

by the Court. If a jury trial has not been requested, proposed jury instructions are not required.

All inquiries regarding this calendar should be directed to Ms. Gifford via email.