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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY
CIVIL JURY TRIAL CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MARCH 25, 2024
JUDGE H. PATRICK HAGGARD

POCKET INITIALS

**COURT DATES: FEBRUARY 26, 2024 AT 1:30 PM– PRE-TRIAL
CALENDAR
MARCH 25, 2024 AT 8:30 AM – TRIAL WEEK**

PRE-TRIAL CALENDAR

The cases on the enclosed calendar are set for a **pretrial conference** before the undersigned Judge of the Superior Court of Athens-Clarke County at the **Clarke County Courthouse, Athens, Georgia, at 1:30 P.M. on February 26, 2024.**

The attorney to try the case or a party where unrepresented by counsel shall attend the pre-trial conference.

Counsel for each party, after conferring, shall jointly prepare and present at the pre-trial conference a written proposed consolidated pre-trial order in form as specified by Rule 7.2 of the Uniform Superior Court Rules and with the information required thereby. If there are any issues on which counsel cannot agree upon, the areas of disagreement must be shown in the proposed pre-trial order. Plaintiff's counsel shall contact defense counsel to arrange a time to discuss the drafting of a proposed pre-trial order to present to the court.

Failure of counsel or an unrepresented party to appear at the pre-trial conference without legal excuse or to present a proposed pre-trial order shall authorize the Court to remove the action from any trial calendar, enter such pre-trial order as the Court shall deem appropriate, or impose any other appropriate sanction, except dismissal of the action with prejudice.

Counsel will be prepared to stipulate to the maximum extent possible at the pretrial conference with respect to the admissibility of exhibits and documentary evidence and with respect to matters not in issue between the parties. The party objecting to the authenticity of any document or exhibit shall set out specifically the basis for the objection (s). Failure to set out objections shall be a waiver of objections as to authenticity. Counsel may not change the language of paragraph #14 without permission of the court.

Any motions not previously ruled on will be called to the Court's attention at the pretrial conference and will be considered at that time.

Any reference to counsel is applicable to a party where unrepresented by counsel.

TRIAL WEEK

The attached calendar is prescribed for the jury trial of civil cases before Judge H. Patrick Haggard for ~~the week of March 25, 2024 in the January 2024 Term of the Superior Court of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia.~~ Trials shall be conducted in the Athens-Clarke County Courthouse or other approved location, Athens, Georgia. Court will open at 8:30 A.M. on the dates specified, unless otherwise directed by the Court.

The parties and Counsel in the first ten active actions appearing on the trial calendar for a particular date shall appear and be ready for trial on the dates specified as per Rule 8.4 of the Uniform Rules of the Superior Court, unless otherwise directed by the Court. Other cases on the calendar following the first ten active cases thereon shall be expected to be ready for trial in accord with the same rule, but may contact the Judge or his Assistant for a specific date and time for trial upon reasonable notice to Counsel.

With settlement, dismissal or removal of a case from the trial calendar, the cases immediately following the same shall move up and assume the status of the preceding case or cases so removed from the calendar and the trial date specified therefore. Cases not reached on a particular date shall continue to be subject to being called for trial later in the week scheduled for trials in the order appearing on the calendar, unless otherwise directed by the Court.

Counsel or a party where not represented by Counsel shall be under a duty to keep informed of the status of the calendar. Immediately upon settlement, dismissal of a case, or problem with a case, the involved attorneys or party shall forthwith notify the Court without delay.


Cases will be called in the order fixed above except by special leave of the Court or by showing for continuance properly made.

LATE SETTLEMENT:

The Court may assess the expense of excess jurors summoned if the case is settled too late to avoid their attendance.

If is ordered that this calendar and order be entered on the Minutes of the Court.

This 10 day of January, 2024



H. PATRICK HAGGARD
Judge, Superior Courts
Western Judicial Circuit