

IN THE STATE COURT OF ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

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**Scheduling Order Setting Pre-trial Conferences for April 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
and Jury Trials for the Week of May 13, 2024**

CLERK OF COURTS
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DOCKET INITIALS

For the cases listed on the attached Calendar, the following shall apply:¹

If your case has settled or you are requesting a continuance from this calendar, please email Staff Attorney David Frisch at david.frisch@accgov.com.

Discovery

This Order contemplates that all discovery has been completed, any expert witnesses have been properly disclosed during discovery, and the discovery period is closed.

March 28, 2024

Dispositive motions shall be filed by this date.

Motions to challenge to an expert's qualification under O.C.G.A. § 24-7-702 shall be filed by this date.

April 3, 2024

Consolidated Pre-trial Order shall be submitted by this date to the Staff Attorney by email at david.frisch@accgov.com. Plaintiff shall be responsible for consolidating the pre-trial order. (*See further instructions below.*)

Motions in Limine should be filed by 5:00 p.m. on this date. The Court requests the attorneys refrain from filing boilerplate motions and motions seeking the Court to enter rulings on general topics of well-established of law, evidence, or procedure which are not tailored to the particular legal or evidentiary issues in the case.

Notices of intent to introduce records pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-9-902 (11) or (12) shall be filed by this date or may be included in §14 of the pre-trial order if the notice complies with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 24-9-902 (11) or (12).

¹ For cases where the Court has already entered a pre-trial order, a note has been made on the Calendar. Counsel in these cases are excused from attending the pre-trial conference and from complying with the other requirements of this scheduling order.

Trial Depositions - For any depositions to be used at trial, the parties shall file any deposition designations or requests for rulings on deposition objections by this date.

For any trial depositions taken after this date, any designations or requests for rulings on objections shall be filed within 48 hours of a party's receipt of the transcript.

April 9, 2024

Mediation should be completed by this date. If counsel has not received an order scheduling mediation, please contact the Tenth District ADR Program at (706) 613-3210 to be scheduled for mediation.

April 10, 2024

Pre-trial Conference shall be held at **9:00 a.m.** in the State Court Hearing Room 415, Fourth Floor of the Athens-Clarke County Courthouse, 325 E. Washington Street, Athens, Georgia 30601. ***(See further instructions below.)***

Motions in Limine and Deposition Designations may be heard by the Court on this date.

The Pre-trial Conference will have a WebEx remote attendance option. Please email the State Court Staff Attorney at david.frisch@accgov.com to request the link.

Attorneys who have a previously scheduled leave of absence for this date shall contact the State Court Staff Attorney to request an alternative date for a pre-trial conference.

May 13, 2024

Jury Trials shall begin at 8:30 a.m. in the State Court Courtroom. If a case is not reached, it will be placed on the next jury trial calendar.

Instructions for Pre-trial Order:

§1 Name, Address, and Phone Number of Attorneys: If the uninsured or underinsured motorist carrier is a party, the pre-trial order shall include whether the UMC will elect to proceed at trial in its own name or in the name of Defendant as allowed under O.C.G.A. § 33-7-11.

§14 Notices of intent to introduce records: Each party may include notices of intent to introduce pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 24-9-902 (11) or (12) if made in compliance with the statute.

§17 Proposed Jury Charges: the parties should word §17 as: "Pursuant to Uniform State Court Rule

10.3, all requests to charge, other than additional requests to cover unanticipated points which arise at trial, shall be filed with the Clerk of State Court and a copy submitted to the Court by email to david.frisch@accgov.com in Word document form at the time of jury selection.”

§19 List of Witnesses: Party shall identify all potential witnesses by first and last name and list the witness’s position and / or employer (if applicable). Parties shall not list witnesses by generic description. At trial, the Court may exclude any witness who has not been sufficiently identified except for the limited purpose of authenticating documents, records, or other exhibits.

Amendments: The Court will not enter pre-trial orders that contain provisions attempting to reserve the right to amend the pre-trial order or to conduct discovery. Amendments will be allowed only upon order of the Court and upon good cause shown.

Attendance at Pre-trial Conference / Requests to be Excused: Unless a pre-trial order has already been entered by the Court, an attorney of record must appear for each party to make an announcement in the case. If you are unable to appear, please contact Staff Attorney David Frisch at david.frisch@accgov.com at least 48 hours in advance to request excusal by the Court.

Failure to Appear at Pre-trial Conference / Failure to Present Proposed Pre-trial Order: Failure of counsel to appear at the pre-trial conference without legal excuse or failure to present a proposed pre-trial order shall authorize the Court to remove the action from the trial calendar, enter such pre-trial order as the Court deems appropriate, or impose any other appropriate sanction.

This Order and the attached Calendar shall be entered on the Minutes of the Court and a copy served on the Tenth District Alternative Dispute Resolution Program office.

SO ORDERED, this 7th day of February, 2024.



Ryan S. Hope, Judge
State Court of Athens-Clarke County

Civil Calendar Call for Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
Jury trial week to begin on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

1. Davic Le v. Benjamin Dasher
ST17CV0383
Rodger Orlando / Michael Broun, Bill
Cowsert & LaShawn Terry
2. Brooke Leighann Moon v. Ellen Kilgos and
Gary Kilgos
CPTO ENTERED
ST20CV0633
Evan Rosenberg & Blake Fluevog / Bill
Cowsert
3. Latoya Ross v. Ann Webb
CPTO ENTERED
ST22CV0066
Reza Sedghi / Bill Cowsert & Joseph
Stephens
4. Susan Michelle Francis, Donald Carson
Francis v. Nelson Pavao
ST19CV0013
Kevin Elwell / Michael Kendall & Sylvia
Cobb / Marcus Jackson, Timothy Mitchell
5. Maria Fernandez and Julio Andres Benitez
as parents, legal guardians, and next best
friends of minor child Esmeralda Esperanza
Benitez Fernandez v. Bowman Property
Management, LLC, Changlin Li, ABC
Corporations 1-5, and John Does 1-5
ST20CV0251
Amir Nowroozzadeh / Melissa Segel, Kelly
Chartash & Thomas Brennan / Trey Moody,
Allison Gylfe, Andrew Moody, Roberto
Bazzani, Joi Siler, & David Rusnak
6. Kimberly Lashley As Surviving Spouse of
Deshawn Anthony Lashley Deceased v.
Deborah S Hembree
ST20CV0681
Brian Rodgers / Bill Cowsert
7. Ethan M Jack v. Jaycee C Neal
ST21CV0205
David Thomas / N. Michelle Harris / Bill
Cowsert
8. Litisha Henry v. Soritas Fears,
Southeastrans Inc., Georgia Medical
Transportation Inc.
ST21CV0259
Adewale Odetunde / Jason Darneille
9. Adeyemi Makanjuola v. Anna E. Darnell
ST21CV0637
Bret Moore, Laura Moore / Bill Cowsert /
Sherman Moody III
10. Robert W Lane v. John Messarra
ST21CV0805
Christopher Farmer / Bill Cowsert
11. Matthew M Gibbs, Et Al v. Gabrielle A
Connally
ST21CV0866
Matthew R. Hagen / Robert Hoyland / Claire
A. Sumner & Cullen B. Threlkeld
12. Jason Lankheet v. Katherine G. Thielman
ST22CV0064
Edward Long Jr & Samuel Crowe / Bill
Cowsert & Joseph Stephens
13. Gwenetta Powers v. Arthur Sloman, Power
Properties, John Does 1-5, ABC
Corporations 1-5
ST22CV0118
Tonya Shy / Joe Stephens & Adam Cain
14. Linda Foote, Jimmy Foote v. Sean Cook
ST22CV0162
Alfreda L. Williams / Robert M. Hoyland
15. David Lloyd v. Kristen N Miller
ST22CV0221
Joshua Branch, Susan Webb & Robert 'Cap'
Russell / Bill Cowsert & Michael Broun
16. Patricia Zackery v. Soraya Armstrong
ST22CV0283
Casey Hill / Bill Cowsert & Joe Stephens
17. Ernest Shaw v. Tiyah Wise, John McElroy
And Geraldine McElroy
ST22CV0287
Anthony Petrozza / Bill Cowsert & Joe
Stephens

**Civil Calendar Call for Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
Jury trial week to begin on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.**

18. Fredrico Purnell Vs Krystal Watkins
ST22CV0448
Paul Wersant, Romi Jayswal, & Karina
Deochand / Bill Cowsert & Alexander
McQueen
19. Taneisha Brooks v. Antonio Griffith, Franklin
Chambers III, Jane Doe, John Doe 1-10
ST22CV0498
Casey Hill / Bill Cowsert & Joe Stephens /
Erin Corbett / Veronica Hoffler
20. Britton Baker v. Mehul P Amin Et Al
ST22CV0541
Casey Stephens / Christopher Elrod & Scott
Tolbert / Bill Cowsert / Jason Darneille
21. Candice Adams v. Quentin Frazier Et Al
ST22CV0568
Amanda Hennick / Kristine Snyder & Robyn
Roth
22. Jackie Bowman v. Jennings Mill Partners,
LLC, Et Al
ST22CV0574
Mitchell Ladson & Thierry Marceaux /
Lee Clayton & Joshua Smith
23. Brian Randall Et Al v. Susie Wise
ST22CV0578
Mark Wallace / Michael Davis / Bill Cowsert
24. Noel Holloway v. John B. Giles, Jr.
ST22CV0635
John O'Briant / Sarah Williamson /
Stephanie Chavies
25. Betty Jacobs v. Lisa Curatolo
ST22CV0708
Megan Garcia / Sarah Britt & Daniel Prout Jr./
Morris Margulis
26. Cristina Rosa v. April Ann Knott, Et Al
ST23CV0088
Josh Branch & Robert 'Cap' Russell / Bill
Cowsert / Cameron McKinney / Laura
Whitman
27. Tierra Watkins v. Pilgrim's Pride
Corporation, Et Al
ST23CV0075
Jameson Sackey / Ashley Webber & Negin
Portivent

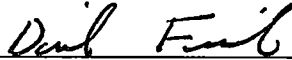
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I have served the foregoing Scheduling Order Setting Pre-Trial Conference on April 10, 2024 and for a Jury Trial the week of May 13, 2024 and Calendar on all counsel as listed on said Calendar through PeachCourt as well as the following by hand delivery:

Elisa Zarate, Clerk of Court

Tenth District Alternative Dispute Resolution Program Office

This 7 day of February, 2024.



David C. Frisch, Staff Attorney
State Court of Athens-Clarke County