

IN THE [COUNTY or CIRCUIT] COURT IN AND FOR [COUNTY] COUNTY, FLORIDA

[PLAINTIFF(S)]  
Plaintiff(s),

Case Number: [CASE NO.]  
Division: [DIVISION]

v.

[DEFENDANT(S)]  
Defendant(s).

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**CIVIL CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER – GENERAL CASES**

Pursuant to Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.200, the Court finds this case should be assigned to a general case management track. Pursuant to Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.250(a)(1)(B), the expected completion date of a jury case is 18 months from the date of service of initial process on the last defendant or 120 days after commencement of the action as provided in rule 1.050, whichever occurs first.

The initial complaint was filed on [DATE]. Accordingly, the following terms and deadlines shall apply in this case:

**I. CASE DEADLINES AND EVENTS**

- A. Deadline for service of complaints:** *120 days after the complaint is filed.*
- B. Deadline for service under extensions:** *180 days after the complaint is filed.*
- C. Deadline for addition of new parties:** *210 days after the complaint is filed.*
- D. Deadline for completion of fact discovery:** *420 days after the complaint is filed.*
- E. Deadline for completion of expert discovery:** *450 days after the complaint is filed.*
- F. Deadline for filing and service of motions for summary judgment:** *120 days before trial.*  
Motions for summary judgment must comply with rule 1.510(b) and be resolved no later than 30 days before trial.
- G. Motion hearings:** *within 20 days of filing any motion for which a hearing is required, the moving party must contact the presiding judge's office to set the motion for hearing.*
- H. Deadline for all objections to pleadings to be resolved:** *within 75 days after the objection is filed and no later than 45 days before the pretrial conference.*
- I. Deadline for all pretrial motions to be resolved (excluding motions for summary judgment):** *within 60 days after the motion is filed and no later than the Friday before the trial week.*
- J. Deadline for completion of alternative dispute resolution including mediation:** *450 days after the complaint is filed.*

**K. Projected trial date:** *18 months after the complaint is filed.* Not later than 45 days before the projected trial period, a firm trial date will be determined and ordered by the presiding judge if the firm trial date has not otherwise already been set pursuant to Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.400(c).

**II. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)** provides parties with an out-of-court alternative to settling disagreements through mediation. All parties must mediate prior to trial unless excused by court order for good cause shown or as otherwise required by law and in compliance with the Rules of Civil Procedure.
- B.** Notices of unavailability have no effect on the deadlines set by the case management order. If a party is unable to comply with a deadline in a case management order, the party must take action consistent with rule 1.200. The Court will consider a request to approve changes to these deadlines upon a showing of good cause by either party based on matters arising from an emergency or unavailability. Procrastination in completing discovery or mediation will not constitute good cause for a change to these deadlines.
- C.** Motions to continue trial are disfavored and should rarely be granted and then only upon good cause shown. Any motion to continue a trial date must comply with rule 1.460.
- D.** In cases wherein one party is unrepresented (“pro se”), it is the responsibility for the sole attorney in the case to serve within five business days this Order upon any pro se party who does not have access to and is not a registered user of the Florida Courts e-Filing Portal.

**IT IS ORDERED** that all parties shall abide by the terms of this Order. **Deadlines will be strictly enforced unless changed by court order.** Failure by a party to follow the deadlines in this Order may result in the imposition of sanctions.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in \_\_\_\_\_ **COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

**[COUNTY or CIRCUIT JUDGE]**  
**JUDGE**

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