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§ IN THE 272ND DISTRICT COURT

VS. § OF

§ BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS

PRETRIAL ORDER

The following orders shall govern this case unless modified by future orders of the court:

1. All attorneys are expected to work diligently to be prepared for trial. "Trial" means the date the case actually goes to trial before a judge or jury.
2. All discovery, except depositions, shall be completed by 60 days before trial. Requests for discovery (excluding depositions) shall be initiated far enough in advance that the response is due not less than 60 days before trial, and if this requirement is not met no response need be made. Depositions shall be completed not less than 21 days before trial unless otherwise agreed by counsel. All additional parties must be joined by ninety (90) days before trial. "Joined" means brought in to the case by service of citation, or service of pleadings when permitted by law.
3. Final trial pleadings shall be filed by 30 days before trial.
4. All exceptions to pleadings shall be filed together with a request for hearing (setting request) made in writing to the court coordinator by 25 days before trial.
5. Each party shall furnish in writing to all other parties and the court the name, address, and telephone number of each witness the party expects to call live during his case-in-chief, by 30 days before trial.
6. Your attention is directed to Rules 166b(6) and 215(5), T.R.C.P.
7. If the case is set for jury trial, each party shall tender to the Court that party's requested issues and instructions, with authority supporting submission, by the Friday preceding trial.
8. ORDER FOR CONFERENCE AND REPORT ON ADR

The attorneys are directed to confer about the possibility of using mediation, or some other form of alternative dispute resolutions procedure, to settle the case, and to submit a written report to the Court not later than ninety (90) days before trial, to consist of one of the following:

- a. a proposed order for mediation, or other form of ADR procedure; or
- b. a joint statement that mediation and all other forms of ADR procedures are **not** recommended; or
- c. in the event the parties disagree, short statements from both parties expressing their respective positions on the usefulness of ADR to dispose of the case.

SIGNED THIS ____ day of _____, 1999.

JUDGE PRESIDING