

I. SCHEDULE

The Scheduling Order governing this case is set forth in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates chart below. Whether this is a jury trial or court trial is indicated in the upper right hand box. If the parties wish to set additional dates, they may file a Stipulation and Proposed Order so seeking. This may be especially appropriate in class actions, patent cases, or cases for benefits under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Please refer to the Court's Standing Order for requirements for specific motions, discovery, certain types of filings, courtesy copies, emailing signature items to chambers, alternative dispute resolution, and other matters pertaining to all cases.

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JUDGE ANDRÉ BIROTTE JR. SCHEDULE OF PRETRIAL AND TRIAL DATES

Court Order Trial and Final Pretrial Conference Dates mm/dd/yyyy 03/30/2021 at 8:30 a.m. Trial ☐ Court Trial 4-7 Day(s) Final Pretrial Conference ("FPTC") [L.R. 16], Hearing on Motions In Limine 03/12/2021 at 11:00 a.m. Event 1 Weeks **Court Order** Note: Hearings shall be on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. Before mm/dd/yyyy **FPTC** Other dates can be any day of the week. Last Date to *Hear* Motion to Amend Pleadings/Add Parties [Friday] 05/28/2020 17 Non-Expert Discovery Cut-Off 09/04/2020 Expert Disclosure (Initial) 09/25/2020 Expert Disclosure (Rebuttal) 10/16/2020 12^{2} Expert Discovery Cut-Off 11/06/2020 Last Date to <u>Hear Motions</u> [Friday]
- Rule 56 Motion due at least 5 weeks before hearing 12 01/08/2021 Opposition due 2 weeks after Motion is filed Reply due 1 week after Opposition is filed 10/01/2020 Deadline to Complete Settlement Conference [L.R. 16-15] 10 ☐ 2. Court's Mediation Panel □ 3. Private Mediation Trial Filings (first round) Motions In Limine Memoranda of Contentions of Fact and Law [L.R. 16-4] Witness Lists [L.R. 16-5] 02/05/2021 Joint Exhibit List [L.R. 16-6.1] 3 Joint Status Report Regarding Settlement Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law [L.R. 52] (court trial only) Declarations containing Direct Testimony, if ordered (court trial only) Trial Filings (second round) Oppositions to Motions In Limine Joint Proposed Final Pretrial Conference Order [L.R. 16-7] Joint/Agreed Proposed Jury Instructions (jury trial only) Disputed Proposed Jury Instructions (jury trial only)
Joint Proposed Verdict Forms (jury trial only)
Joint Proposed Statement of the Case (jury trial only)
Proposed Additional Voir Dire Questions, if any (jury trial only) 2 02/26/2021 Evidentiary Objections to Decls. of Direct Testimony (court trial only)



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The parties may seek dates for additional events by filing a separate Stipulation and Proposed Order. <u>Class actions and patent and ERISA cases in particular may need to vary from the above</u>.

² The parties may wish to consider cutting off expert discovery prior to the deadline for *filing* an MSJ.

ADDITIONAL DATES AND DEADLINES

The Court largely adopts the following schedule of additional dates and deadlines jointly proposed by the parties in their Rule 26(F) Report (*see* Dkt. No. 46):

EVENT	ORDER
Initial Disclosures Pursuant to Rule 26(a)	January 16, 2020
Infringement Contentions as set forth in N.D. Cal. Local Patent Rule 3-1	February 27, 2020
Document Production as set forth in N.D. Cal. Local Patent Rule 3-2	March 12, 2020
Invalidity Contentions as set forth in N.D. Cal. Local Patent Rule 3-3	March 26, 2020
Document Production as set forth in N.D. Cal. Local Patent Rule 3-4	April 9, 2020
Exchange of Proposed Claim Terms for Construction	April 9, 2020
Exchange of Proposed Claim Constructions as set forth in N.D. Cal. Local Patent Rule 4-2	April 30, 2020
Deadline to Amend Pleadings/Add Parties (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	May 28, 2020
Simultaneous Opening Claim Construction Briefs	June 25, 2020
Claim Construction Hearing	July 31, 2020 10:00 a.m.
Deadline to Amend Infringement and Invalidity Contentions	Within 21 days of Claim Construction Order
Fact Discovery Cut-off (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	September 4, 2020
Opening Expert Reports (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	September 25, 2020
Rebuttal Expert Reports (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	October 16, 2020
Expert Discovery Cut-off (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	November 6, 2020
Dispositive Motion Filing Deadline	November 24, 2020
Oppositions to Dispositive Motions	December 11, 2020
Replies on Dispositive Motions	December 18, 2020

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Hearing on Dispositive Motions (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	January 8, 2021
First Round of Pre-Trial Filings Due (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	February 5, 2021
Second Round of Pre-Trial Filings Due (also reflected in the Schedule of Pretrial and Trial Dates above)	February 26, 2021

A. Deadlines for Motions.

All motions must be noticed to be *heard* on or before their respective deadlines. All unserved parties will be dismissed at the time of the pretrial conference pursuant to Local Rule 16-8.1.

B. Discovery Cut-Off and Discovery Disputes

- 1. <u>Discovery Cut-off</u>: The cut-off date for discovery *is not* the date by which discovery requests must be served; it is the date by which all discovery, *including all hearings on any related motions*, must be completed. Thus, written discovery must be served, and depositions must begin, sufficiently in advance of the discovery cut-off date to permit the discovering party enough time to challenge via motion practice responses deemed to be deficient. Given the requirements to meet and confer and to give notice, in most cases a planned motion to compel must be discussed with opposing counsel at least six weeks before the cut-off.
- 2. <u>Expert Discovery</u>: All expert disclosures must be made in writing. The parties should begin expert discovery shortly after the initial designation of experts. The final pretrial conference and trial dates will not be continued merely because expert discovery is not completed. Failure to comply with these or any other orders concerning expert discovery may result in the expert being excluded as a witness.
- 3. <u>Discovery Disputes</u>: Counsel must use best efforts to resolve discovery problems among themselves in a courteous, reasonable and professional manner. Counsel must adhere to the Civility and Professionalism Guidelines at



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