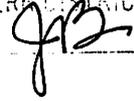


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
EL PASO DIVISION

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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HONORABLE MIGUEL A. TORRES

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ALL CIVIL CASES

**STANDING ORDER ON PRETRIAL DEADLINES**

The following Standing Order shall control the course of any civil action commenced in, transferred to,<sup>1</sup> or referred to, this Court, except those types of cases specifically exempted from initial disclosure under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26, specifically to include pro se prisoner civil rights cases, as well as the types of cases specifically exempted in Local Court Rule CV-16(b).

Within forty-five (45) days after the appearance of any defendant, which includes the filing of a notice of removal, the parties shall confer in accordance with Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and thereafter file a proposed scheduling order in the form required by Local Court Rule CV-16 of the Local Rules for the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas.

Additionally, within forty-five (45) days after the appearance of any defendant, which includes the filing of a notice of removal, the parties shall jointly develop and file a Case Management Report. The report shall contain the following information in separately numbered paragraphs:

1. The parties who assisted in developing the Case Management Report and all attorneys of record for each respective party;
2. A list of the parties in the case, including any parent corporations or entities (for recusal purposes);

<sup>1</sup> If a scheduling order has been entered in the case prior to the case being transferred to this Court, the parties need not submit a proposed scheduling order. The Court will attempt to maintain the existing scheduling order. In such cases, however, the parties shall comply with the remainder of this Standing Order within the timeframe set beginning from the date the case was transferred to this Court.

3. A short statement of the nature of the case (one page or less), including a description of all claims and all defenses;
4. The jurisdictional basis for the case, describing the basis for jurisdiction and citing specific jurisdictional statutes;<sup>2</sup>
5. A list of the parties that have not been served and an explanation of why they have not been served; and any parties which have been served but have not answered or otherwise appeared;
6. A statement of whether any party expects to add additional parties to the case or otherwise to amend pleadings;
7. A listing of any contemplated motions and a statement of the issues to be decided by these motions;
8. A statement of when parties exchanged Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(a) initial disclosures;
9. Pursuant to Rule 26(f), a statement outlining necessary discovery, including:
  - a. A list of critical witnesses for each side;
  - b. A timeline in which the depositions of these witnesses will take place;
  - c. Any issues about disclosure, discovery, or preservation of electronically stored information, including the form or forms in which it should be produced; and
  - d. Any issues about claims of privilege or of protection as trial-preparation material.
10. The status of related cases pending before other courts;
11. A statement of whether either party has requested a jury trial, the estimated length of trial, and any suggestions for expediting the trial date;
12. The prospects for settlement, including any request of the Court for assistance in settlement efforts; and a proposed specific date by which the parties shall have engaged in face-to-face, good faith settlement talks; and

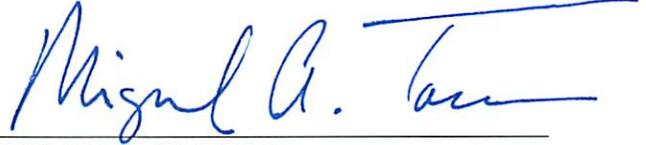
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<sup>2</sup> If jurisdiction is based on diversity of citizenship, the report shall include a statement of the citizenship of every party and a description of the amount in dispute. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1332.

13. Any other matters that will aid the Court and parties in resolving this case in a just, speedy, and inexpensive manner as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 1.

**SO ORDERED.**

**SIGNED** and **ENTERED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Miguel A. Torres". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

MIGUEL A. TORRES  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE