

## **INITIAL STATUS REPORT**

This case has been assigned to the calendar of Judge John Z. Lee. The parties are directed to meet pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f) and conduct a planning conference. At least 4 business days prior to the initial status in this case, please file a **joint initial status report** (with a courtesy copy to the Courtroom Deputy, room 1226), containing the following information:

### **I. The Nature of the Case**

- A. Identify the attorneys of record for each party, including the lead trial attorney.
- B. State the basis for federal jurisdiction.
- C. Describe the nature of the claims asserted in the complaint and any counterclaims.
- D. A statement of the major legal and factual issues in the case to be submitted by each side in 200 words or less per side. A party need not agree to the opposing party's statement.
- E. Describe the relief sought by the plaintiff(s).

### **II. Pending Motions and Case Plan**

- A. Identify the Day/Date of the Initial Status Hearing (e.g., Wednesday, June 25, 20XX)
- B. Identify All Pending Motions
- C. Submit a proposal for a discovery plan, including the following information:
  - 1. The general type of discovery needed;
  - 2. A date for Rule 26(a)(1) disclosures;
  - 3. A date to issue written discovery;
  - 4. A date for the deadline for the amendment of pleadings (90 days after Rule 26(a) disclosures are exchanged).
  - 5. A fact discovery completion date;
  - 6. An expert discovery completion date, including dates for the delivery of expert reports; and
  - 7. A date for the filing of dispositive motions.
- D. With respect to trial, indicate the following:
  - 1. Whether a jury trial is requested; and
  - 2. The probable length of trial

### **III. Consent to Proceed Before a Magistrate Judge**

Indicate whether the parties consent unanimously to proceed before a Magistrate Judge.

### **IV. Status of Settlement Discussions**

- A. Indicate whether any settlement discussions have occurred;
- B. Describe the status of any settlement discussions; and
- C. Whether the parties request a settlement conference.