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7 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
 8 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

9 KASHIF SHANKLE, as Special  
 Administrator for the Estate of RITA  
 10 ESPARZA; ALFRED ESPARZA, as  
 Statutory Heir to RITA ESPARZA;  
 11 LEONARD ESPARZA, as Statutory Heir to  
 RITA ESPARZA; MARIA ESPARZA, as  
 Statutory Heir to RITA ESPARZA; LILIANA  
 12 ESPARZA, as Statutory Heir to RITA  
 ESPARZA; and LETICIA ESPARZA as  
 13 Statutory Heir to RITA ESPARZA,

14 Plaintiff,

vs.

15 THE HEIGHTS OF SUMMERLIN, LLC, a  
 foreign limited liability company; SUMMIT  
 16 CARE, LLC, a foreign limited liability  
 company; GENESIS HEALTHCARE, INC., a  
 17 domestic corporation, LATOYA DAVIS,  
 individually and as Administrator; ANDREW  
 18 REESE, individually and as Administrator;  
 DOE EMPLOYEES 1-10; DOE SERVICE  
 19 PROVIDERS 11-20; DOE GOVERNING  
 MEMBERS 21-30; ROE GOVERNING  
 20 BODIES 31-40; and DOES 41-50; and ROE  
 CORPORATIONS 51-60, inclusive,

21 Defendants.

Case No.: 2:21-cv-01316-JAD-BNW

**DISCOVERY PLAN AND SCHEDULING  
 ORDER**

**SUBMITTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
 LR 26-1(b)**

22 Plaintiffs KASHIF SHANKLE, as Special Administrator for the Estate of RITA  
 23 ESPARZA; ALFRED ESPARZA, LEONARD ESPARZA, RITA ESPARZA; MARIA  
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1 ESPARZA, RITA ESPARZA, LILIANA ESPARZA, and LETICIA ESPARZA (colletively,  
2 “Plaintiffs”) and Defendants THE HEIGHTS OF SUMMERLIN, LLC, SUMMIT CARE, LLC,  
3 GENESIS HEALTHCARE, INC., LATOYA DAVIS, and ANDREW REESE (collectively,  
4 “Defendants”), by and through their respective counsel of record, held a telephonic conference on  
5 August 31, 2021 and file this Stipulated Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order pursuant to Fed. R.  
6 Civ. P. 26(f) and Local Rule 26-1.

7 **PROPOSED SCHEDULE**

8 **I. FED. R. CIV. P. 26(a) INITIAL DISCLOSURE**

9 Parties have agreed to exchange initial disclosures no later than **September 14, 2021**,  
10 which is 14 days after the Rule 26 Conference was held. The parties expressly agree any document  
11 productions shall be bates-stamped with the parties’ respective identifying bates system. Other  
12 than this, no changes are necessary in the form or requirement for disclosures under Fed. R. Civ.  
13 P. 26(a).

14 **II. ESTIMATE OF TIME REQUIRED FOR DISCOVERY**

15 **A. DISCOVERY CUT-OFF DATE**

16 Discovery will take 270 days from July 19, 2021, which is the date Defendant The Heights  
17 of Summerlin, LLC filed its Motions to Dismiss Plaintiff’s Complaint, the first responsive  
18 pleading. Accordingly, all discovery must be completed no later than **April 15, 2022**. The parties  
19 may conduct discovery within the scope of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b). Subject to the foregoing,  
20 discovery need not be limited or focused on particular issues or conducted in phases.

21 **B. AMENDING THE PLEADINGS AND ADDING PARTIES**

22 Unless stated herein or ordered by the Court, the date for filing motions to amend the  
23 pleadings or to add parties shall not be later than 90 days prior to the discovery cut-off date, and  
24 therefore not later than **January 14, 2022**.

1           **C.     FED. R. CIV. P. 26(a)(2) DISCLOSURES (EXPERTS)**

2           In accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2), disclosures identifying experts shall be made  
3 60 days prior to the discovery cut-off date, and therefore not later than **February 14, 2022** and  
4 disclosures of rebuttal experts shall be made 30 days after the initial disclosure of experts, and  
5 therefore not later than **March 16, 2022**.

6           **D.     DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS**

7           The parties shall file dispositive motions 30 days after the discovery cut-off date, and  
8 therefore not later than **May 16, 2022**.

9           **E.     PRETRIAL ORDER**

10          If no dispositive motions are filed, and unless otherwise ordered by this Court, the Joint  
11 Pretrial Order shall be filed 30 days after the date set for filing dispositive motions, and therefore  
12 not later than **June 15, 2022**. In the event dispositive motions are filed, the date for filing the Joint  
13 Pretrial Order shall be suspended until 30 days after the Court enters a ruling on the dispositive  
14 motions, or otherwise by further order of the Court. The disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P.  
15 26(a)(3), and any objections thereto, shall be included in the Joint Pretrial Order.

16          **F.     ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

17          The parties certify that they met and conferred about the possibility of using alternative  
18 dispute-resolution processes including mediation, arbitration, and if applicable, early neutral  
19 evaluation.

20          **G.     ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF CASE DISPOSTION**

21          The parties certify that they considered consenting to trial by a magistrate judge and use of  
22 the Short Trial Program.

1           **H.     ELECTRONIC EVIDENCE**

2                   **1.     Electronically Stored Information and Electronic Service of Discovery**

3           The parties have discussed the retention and production of electronic data. The parties  
4 consent to electronic service of any and all discovery documents. Said service shall be deemed  
5 completed by sending an email with the related discovery document(s) to all service addresses for  
6 counsel and counsel's staff on record with the court for the above-captioned matter at the time of  
7 service. The parties further agree, when serving by email, if any error or delayed delivery message  
8 is received by the sending party, that party shall promptly (within one business day of receipt of  
9 such message) notify the intended recipient(s) of the message and serve the pleading or other  
10 papers by other authorized means. This consent does not preclude counsel from serving discovery  
11 documents by mail in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. 5(b), including service of electronic files  
12 copied to compact disc or similar storage media. Whether served by e-mail or by mail, three  
13 additional days shall be added to the timeline within which to respond, as provided for in Fed. R.  
14 Civ. P. 6(d). To the extent discovery requests are served on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday,  
15 service will be deemed effective on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.  
16 The parties reserve the right to revisit this issue if a dispute or need arises.

17                   **2.     Electronic Evidence Conference Certification**

18           The parties further intend to present evidence in electronic format to jurors for the purposes  
19 of jury deliberations. The parties discussed the presentation of evidence for juror deliberations, but  
20 did not reach any stipulations as to that method as this early stage.

21           **III.   EXTENSIONS OR MODIFICATIONS OF THE DISCOVERY PLAN AND**  
22                   **SCHEDULING ORDER**

23           LR 26-3 governs modifications or extensions to this discovery plan and scheduling order.  
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1 **IV. PROVIDING “SHELLS” OR WORD VERSIONS TO OPPOSING COUNSEL**  
2 **FOR ALL WRITTEN DISCOVERY PROPOUNDED**

3 The parties agree that for each set of written discovery propounded upon the other, an  
4 accompanying “word” or “word perfect” version of said discovery set shall be provided in order  
5 to reduce the time and effort in having to type out the requests or interrogatories. The failure to do  
6 so does not deem service of the written discovery ineffective.

7 **V. PROTECTION OF PRIVILEGED/TRIAL PREPARATION MATERIAL**

8 If a party discovers it has inadvertently disclosed privileged or trial preparation material, it  
9 agrees to notify the opposing party in writing within 30 days of the discovery that such document(s)  
10 have been disclosed, which written notification will set forth the basis for the claim that the items  
11 disclosed are privileged or trial preparation material. If the party receiving the disclosure agrees  
12 that the inadvertently-produced items are privileged or trial preparation material, it will return all  
13 such items to the producing party without the retention of any copies. If the receiving party disputes  
14 that the items are privileged or trial preparation materials, it will within 30 days of written  
15 notification of the inadvertent disclosure, present the disputed items inadvertently disclosed to the  
16 court under seal for a decision with respect thereto (without the retention of copies), including with  
17 such submission the producing party’s written notification and any statement the receiving party  
18 wishes to make in support of its position that the items are not privileged or trial preparation  
19 material. If the receiving party disclosed the inadvertently-produced privileged or trial preparation  
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1 materials before being notified of the inadvertent disclosure, it will take reasonable steps to retrieve  
2 the materials pending resolution of the matter.

3 Dated this 1st day of September 2021.

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18 **Order**

19 IT IS ORDERED that ECF No. 19 is  
20 DENIED without prejudice for failure to  
21 comply with Local Rule 26-1(a). The  
22 parties must resubmit a proposed  
23 discovery plan and scheduling order by  
24 9/10/2021.

IT IS SO ORDERED

DATED: 3:44 pm, September 02, 2021



BRENDA WEKSLER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE