UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

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ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO.,

CASE NO. 16-CV-00284

Plaintiff,

v.

OPINION AND ORDER

[Resolving Doc. <u>68</u>]

KYLE ANTHONY,

Defendant.

JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

On February 5, 2016, Plaintiff Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. filed a complaint contending that Defendant Anthony violated his non-solicitation agreement, tortiuously interfered with Gallagher's business, and unlawfully disclosed trade secrets in connection with client departures from Gallagher.<sup>1</sup>

Upon meeting with the parties, this Court set the matter for expedited trial, with a bench trial scheduled for June 6, 2016. Due to a scheduling conflict, the Court then rescheduled the bench trial to June 27, 2016.<sup>2</sup> The Court ordered that the parties file opening briefs taking the format of proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law.<sup>3</sup> The Court did not set deadlines for dispositive motions.

On June 1, 2016, Defendant Kyle Anthony filed his opening brief.<sup>4</sup> On the same day, Defendant Anthony filed a motion for summary judgment, indicating that the reasons in support of the motion were in the opening brief.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Doc. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The bench trial was first moved to June 28, 2016 Doc. <u>43</u>. The Court then moved the bench trial to June 27, 2016. Non-docket entry dated June 3, 2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Doc. 26; Non-docket entry May 17, 2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Doc. <u>62</u>.

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Plaintiff Gallagher has now filed a motion to strike Defendant's motion for summary judgment or alternatively, for leave to respond.<sup>6</sup> Because trial will commence on June 27, 2016, and this Court did not set out a dispositive motion briefing schedule, this Court **GRANTS** Plaintiff's motion to strike and **DENIES AS MOOT** Defendant's motion for summary judgment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 24, 2016

s/ James S. Gwin

JAMES S. GWIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Doc. <u>63</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Doc. <u>68</u>.