

The Court finds that bifurcating the trial would promote judicial economy and, accordingly, defendant's motion is granted. However, plaintiff only is permitted to testify as to liability and damages during the liability phase, should she so choose, so that she can avoid testifying more than once.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Defendant's Motion to Bifurcate (Dkt. # 317) is granted. At the non-jury trial set for August 13, 2009, the parties are directed to offer evidence relating to liability only.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff, Jamie K. Sanders, may testify as to liability and damages, if she so chooses.

DATED this 12th day of August, 2009.



CLAIRE V. EAGAN, CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT