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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF DIVISION

ZACHARY WILLIS, ADC #143271

PLAINTIFF

V.

5:13CV00290 KGB/JTR

COREY RAYNER, Sergeant, Cummins Unit, ADC

DEFENDANT

INITIAL SCHEDULING ORDER

Defendant has filed his Answer and a Motion requesting permission to depose Plaintiff. *Docs.14 & 15*. The Court finds good cause for granting Defendant's request. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(a)(2)(B). Additionally, the Court will give the parties 120 days to *complete* discovery and 150 days to file any dispositive motions.¹

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Defendant's Motion for Depose Plaintiff (*Doc. 15*) is granted.
- 2. The parties must complete discovery **on or before June 13, 2014**, and file any dispositive motions **on or before July 14, 2014**.

¹ This means that the parties must send their final discovery requests to the opposing side so that they have the full amount of time, as provided by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, to respond before the discovery deadline expires. For instance, Fed. R. Civ. P. 33(b)(2) states that a party has 30 days to respond to interrogatories. Thus, the parties must send their final interrogatories to the opposing side *at least* 30 days before the expiration of the discovery deadline.

Dated this 19th day of February, 2014.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE