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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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DEVRA BOMMARITO,

 Plaintiff,

 v.

THE NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE
INSURANCE COMPANY and MARK
MAJEWSKI,

 Defendants.

AND RELATED COUNTERCLAIMS.

CIV. NO. 2:15-01187 WBS DAD

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STATUS (PRETRIAL SCHEDULING) ORDER

After reviewing the parties' Joint Status Report, the court hereby vacates the Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference scheduled for October 13, 2015, and makes the following findings and orders without needing to consult with the parties any further.

1 I. SERVICE OF PROCESS

2 The named defendants have been served, and no further
3 service is permitted without leave of court, good cause having
4 been shown under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(b).

5 II. JOINDER OF PARTIES/AMENDMENTS

6 No further joinder of parties or amendments to
7 pleadings will be permitted except with leave of court, good
8 cause having been shown under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure
9 16(b). See Johnson v. Mammoth Recreations, Inc., 975 F.2d 604
10 (9th Cir. 1992).

11 III. JURISDICTION/VENUE

12 Jurisdiction is predicated upon diversity of
13 citizenship, 28 U.S.C. § 1332. The court has supplemental
14 jurisdiction over defendants' counterclaim, 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a).
15 Venue is undisputed and is hereby found to be proper.

16 IV. DISCOVERY

17 The parties agree to serve the initial disclosures
18 required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(1) by no later
19 than October 13, 2015.

20 The parties shall disclose experts and produce reports
21 in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) by no
22 later than June 10, 2016. With regard to expert testimony
23 intended solely for rebuttal, those experts shall be disclosed
24 and reports produced in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil
25 Procedure 26(a)(2) on or before July 8, 2016.

26 All discovery, including depositions for preservation
27 of testimony, is left open, save and except that it shall be so
28 conducted as to be completed by August 5, 2016. The word

1 "completed" means that all discovery shall have been conducted so
2 that all depositions have been taken and any disputes relevant to
3 discovery shall have been resolved by appropriate order if
4 necessary and, where discovery has been ordered, the order has
5 been obeyed. All motions to compel discovery must be noticed on
6 the magistrate judge's calendar in accordance with the local
7 rules of this court and so that such motions may be heard (and
8 any resulting orders obeyed) not later than August 5, 2016.

9 V. MOTION HEARING SCHEDULE

10 All motions, except motions for continuances, temporary
11 restraining orders, or other emergency applications, shall be
12 filed on or before October 26, 2016. All motions shall be
13 noticed for the next available hearing date. Counsel are
14 cautioned to refer to the local rules regarding the requirements
15 for noticing and opposing such motions on the court's regularly
16 scheduled law and motion calendar.

17 VI. FINAL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE

18 The Final Pretrial Conference is set for January 3,
19 2017, at 2:00 p.m. in Courtroom No. 5. The conference shall be
20 attended by at least one of the attorneys who will conduct the
21 trial for each of the parties and by any unrepresented parties.

22 Counsel for all parties are to be fully prepared for
23 trial at the time of the Pretrial Conference, with no matters
24 remaining to be accomplished except production of witnesses for
25 oral testimony. Counsel shall file separate pretrial statements,
26 and are referred to Local Rules 281 and 282 relating to the
27 contents of and time for filing those statements. In addition to
28 those subjects listed in Local Rule 281(b), the parties are to

1 provide the court with: (1) a plain, concise statement which
2 identifies every non-discovery motion which has been made to the
3 court, and its resolution; (2) a list of the remaining claims as
4 against each defendant; and (3) the estimated number of trial
5 days.

6 In providing the plain, concise statements of
7 undisputed facts and disputed factual issues contemplated by
8 Local Rule 281(b) (3)-(4), the parties shall emphasize the claims
9 that remain at issue, and any remaining affirmatively pled
10 defenses thereto. If the case is to be tried to a jury, the
11 parties shall also prepare a succinct statement of the case,
12 which is appropriate for the court to read to the jury.

13 VII. TRIAL SETTING

14 The jury trial is set February 28, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
15 The parties estimate that a jury trial will last seven to ten
16 days.

17 VIII. SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

18 A Settlement Conference will be set at the time of the
19 Pretrial Conference. All parties should be prepared to advise
20 the court whether they will stipulate to the trial judge acting
21 as settlement judge and waive disqualification by virtue thereof.

22 Counsel are instructed to have a principal with full
23 settlement authority present at the Settlement Conference or to
24 be fully authorized to settle the matter on any terms. At least
25 seven calendar days before the Settlement Conference counsel for
26 each party shall submit a confidential Settlement Conference
27 Statement for review by the settlement judge. If the settlement
28 judge is not the trial judge, the Settlement Conference

1 Statements shall not be filed and will not otherwise be disclosed
2 to the trial judge.

3 IX. MODIFICATIONS TO SCHEDULING ORDER

4 Any requests to modify the dates or terms of this
5 Scheduling Order, except requests to change the date of the
6 trial, may be heard and decided by the assigned Magistrate Judge.
7 All requests to change the trial date shall be heard and decided
8 only by the undersigned judge.

9 Dated: October 7, 2015

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11 WILLIAM B. SHUBB
12 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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