

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

LEADER TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Delaware corporation,)	
)	
Plaintiff-Counterdefendant,)	Civil Action No. 08-862-JJF
)	
v.)	
)	
FACEBOOK, INC., a Delaware corporation,)	
)	
Defendant-Counterclaimant)	

RULE 16 SCHEDULING ORDER

The parties, Plaintiff-Counterdefendant Leader Technologies, Inc. (“Leader”) and Defendant-Counterclaimant Facebook, Inc. (“Facebook”), having satisfied their obligations under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f),

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. **Pre-Discovery Disclosures.** The parties exchanged on March 3, 2009 the information required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1) and D. Del. LR 16.1.
2. **Joinder of Other Parties.** All motions to join other parties shall be filed on or before August 21, 2009.
3. **Mediation.** The parties shall retain a Mediator for the purposes of exploring the possibility of a settlement. A Report shall be filed every sixty (60) days, or as otherwise directed by Magistrate Judge Stark to advise the Court of the parties efforts to include the number of conferences or teleconferences held and whether any progress has been made.

4. **Discovery.**

a. Exchange and completion of contention interrogatories, identification of fact witnesses and document production shall be commenced so as to be completed by November 20, 2009.

b. Maximum of 35 interrogatories, including contention interrogatories, for each side.

c. No maximum of requests for admission by each side.

d. Maximum of 10 depositions by plaintiff and 10 by defendant, excluding expert *and non-party* depositions. Depositions shall not commence until the discovery required by Paragraph 4(a), (b), and (c) is completed.

e. Reports from retained experts required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) are due from the party with the burden of proof on the issue the expert is offered thirty (30) days after the issuance of the Court's Markman decision.

f. Any party desiring to depose an expert witness shall notice and complete said deposition no later than thirty (30) days from receipt of said expert's report, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties or so ordered by the Court. Expert reports and depositions shall be completed by April 19, 2010.

5. **Non-Case Dispositive Motions.**

a. The Court has suspended its non-case dispositive motions procedure in this matter.

b. Magistrate Judge Stark shall hear and resolve all discovery disputes that may arise.

6. **Amendment of the Pleadings.** All motions to amend the pleadings shall be filed on or before November 20, 2009.

7. **Case Dispositive Motions.** Any case dispositive motions, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, shall be served and filed with an opening brief on May 1, 2010. Briefing shall be pursuant to D. Del. LR 7.1.2. No case dispositive motion may be filed more than ten (10) days from the above date without leave of the Court. The parties shall follow the Court's procedures for summary judgment motions which is available on the Court's website at: <http://www.ded.uscourts.gov/JJFmain.htm>

8. **Markman.** A Markman Hearing, if necessary, will be held on January 20, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. The parties shall identify and exchange their contentions at least forty-five (45) days before the Markman Hearing. Briefing on the claim construction issues shall be completed at least twenty (20) days prior to the hearing. The Court, after reviewing the briefing, will allocate time to the parties for the hearing.

9. **Applications by Motion.**

a. Any applications to the Court shall be by written motion filed with the Clerk of the Court in compliance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules of Civil Practice for the United States District Court for the District of Delaware (Amended Effective June 30, 2007). Any non-dispositive motion shall contain the statement required by D. Del. L.R. 7.1.1 and be made in accordance with the Court's February 1, 2008 Order on procedures for filing non-dispositive motions in patent cases. Briefs shall be limited to no more than ten (10) pages. Parties may file stipulated and unopposed Orders with the Clerk of the Court for the Court's review and signing. The Court will not consider applications and requests submitted by letter or in a form other than a motion.

- b. No facsimile transmissions will be accepted.
- c. No telephone calls shall be made to Chambers.
- d. Any party with a true emergency matter requiring the assistance of the

Court shall e-mail Chambers at: jjf_civil@ded.uscourts.gov. The e-mail shall provide a short statement describing the emergency.

10. **Pretrial Conference and Trial.** A Pretrial Conference is scheduled for June 3, 2010. Trial is scheduled for June 28, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

July 23, 2009
DATE

Joseph J. Farrell
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE