

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION**

WILLIAM KIRKLAND and STANLEY
KIRKLAND,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No: 8:14-cv-1715-T-24TGW

MOSAIC FERTILIZER, LLC, ARNOLD
LANIER, ANDREW MCGUCKIN, JAMIE
WRIGHT, MICHAEL LAKE and
THOMAS ABBOTT,

Defendants.

ORDER

This cause comes before the Court on Defendant McGuckin's Motion to be Excused from Mediation (Dkt. 89). Defendant McGuckin requests that he be excused from attending the October 7, 2015 mediation due to prior arrangements to attend a firearm class. The Court, however, prefers the parties to attend mediation in person. *See* M.D. Fla. Local Rule 9.05(c) (requiring all parties to be present at the mediation conference with full authority to negotiate a settlement). Accordingly, the motion is **DENIED**.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tampa, Florida, this 2nd day of October, 2015.


SUSAN C. BUCKLEW
United States District Judge

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