IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA PANAMA CITY DIVISION

BRIAN MOORE, as Personal Representative on behalf of the Estate of Bernard P. Rice, deceased,

Plaintiff,

VS.

CASE NO. 5:08cv343/RS/MD

NORTH AMERICA SPORTS, INC., et al.,

Defendants. -----/

<u>Order</u>

Before me is Defendants' Motion to Strike or Limit Evidence from Plaintiff's Proposed Expert Gerald M. Dworkin (Doc. 123).

Defendants move for an order excluding or limiting testimony of Gerald M.

Dworkin because (a) he lacks qualifications to render certain opinions in this case;

(b) his opinions are not based on sufficient facts and what information he has relied on is unreliable; (c) the methodology employed in developing his opinions is flawed; and (d) his testimony will not assist the trier of fact with the application of scientific expertise to better understand the evidence.

After review of Dworkin's curriculum vitae and report, I find that he may

testify as an expert in aquatic safety as outlined in his report, subject to the same

limitations of Dr. Smith. See Doc. 155. As an expert, Dworkin may rely on the

opinions of other experts, but may not testify as to his opinion of the physiological

cause of decedent's death or the medical cause of his initial distress. If further

guidance is needed as to Dworkin's testimony, it can be discussed at the pretrial

conference.

Defendants' Motion to Strike or Limit Evidence from Plaintiff's Proposed

Expert Gerald M. Dworkin (Doc. 123) is granted in part, denied in part.

ORDERED on June 26, 2009.

/S/ Richard Smoak

RICHARD SMOAK UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE