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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 06-80945-CIV-DIMITROULEAS

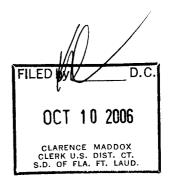
ROBERT CAPONE,

Plaintiff.

VS.

ESTATE OF BRETT LANE ISON, CORREAN C. ISON, Personal Representative of the Estate of Brett Lane Ison, DIRECTIONAL AD-VANTAGE HOLDINGS, LLC, TRAL INVESTMENTS, LLC, HAROLD "HAL" DIVINE, RICHARD DIVINE, and JOHN DOES 1-10,

Defendants.



## ORDER REQUIRING COUNSEL TO MEET, FILE JOINT SCHEDULING REPORT AND JOINT DISCOVERY REPORT

THIS ORDER has been entered upon the filing of the Complaint. Plaintiff's counsel is hereby ORDERED to forward to all Defendants, upon receipt of a responsive pleading, a copy of this order.

It is further ORDERED:

- 1. Pretrial discovery in this case shall be conducted in accord with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26 and Southern District of Florida Local Rule 16.1.
- 2. Within thirty-five (35) calender days of the filing of the first responsive pleading by the last responding defendant, unless this action is excluded under Rule 26(a)(1)(E), the parties shall file a Joint Scheduling Report and Joint Proposed Order pursuant to Local Rule 16.1.B.2. In

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This time period is inclusive of the additional time provided pursuant to Rule 6(e).

preparing the Joint Scheduling Report and Joint Proposed Order the parties shall adhere to the following deadlines:

- A. The parties must confer within fifteen (15) calendar days after the filing of the first responsive pleading by the last responding defendant, to consider the nature and basis of their claims and defenses and the possibilities for a prompt settlement or resolution of the case, to make or arrange for the disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(1), and to develop a proposed discovery plan that indicates the parties' views and proposals concerning the matters listed in Rule 26(f). The parties are jointly responsible for submitting a written report of this conference outlining the proposed discovery plan at the time they file their Joint Scheduling Report and Joint Proposed Order.
- B. Counsel for the parties shall hold a scheduling conference either at the same time as the discovery conference described in Rule 26(f) or within ten (10) calendar days thereafter. See Local Rule 16.1.B.
- C. Within seven (7) calendar days of the scheduling conference, counsel shall file a joint scheduling report pursuant to Local Rule 16.1.B. This report shall indicate the proposed month and year for the trial plus the estimated number of trial days required.
- 3. The parties may submit a single report combining the discovery plan report and the scheduling conference report. However, unilateral submissions are prohibited.
- 4. Failure of counsel or unrepresented parties to file a discovery plan report or joint scheduling report may result in dismissal, default, and the imposition of other sanctions including attorney's fees and costs.
- 5. If a case is settled, counsel are directed to inform the Court promptly at (954) 769-5650, and to submit an appropriate stipulation Order for Dismissal, pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1).

Such an Order must be filed within ten (10) calender days of notification of the Court.

DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers at Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, this

day of October, 2006.

United States District Judge

Copies furnished to:

Stephen A. Mendelsohn, Esquire