

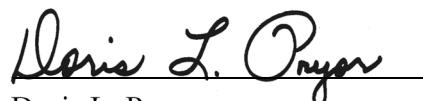
statute governing *in forma pauperis* proceedings requires the Court to pay, or waive, the discovery costs of an *in forma pauperis* litigant. *See, e.g.*, 28 U.S.C. 1915(c), (d); *McNeil v. Lowney*, 831 F.2d 1368 (7th Cir. 1987). The Court can provide a conference room in which a deposition may take place, but the responsibility for securing and paying a court reporter or stenographer falls to the Plaintiff herself. Without a showing that the Plaintiff has secured these services, the Court cannot in good faith grant her Motion.

Additionally, the Court finds that twenty-one (21) depositions of the Defendant's officers and employees is cumulatively burdensome. *See C.A. v. Amlis at Riverbend LP*, No. 1:06-cv-1736-SEB-JMS, 2008 WL 1995451, at *2 (S.D. Ind. May 7, 2008). This ruling, however, does not address whether the deposition of any one specific officer or employee of the Defendant would be unduly burdensome.

This ruling also does not preclude the Plaintiff from working with counsel for the Defendant to schedule individual depositions of the Defendant's employees. "The parties are reminded that discovery is supposed to be a cooperative endeavor, requiring minimal judicial intervention." *Amlis*, 2008 WL 1995451, at *2 (citing *Airtex Corp. v. Shelley Radiant Ceiling Co.*, 536 F.2d 145, 155 (7th Cir. 1976)).

So ORDERED.

Date: 12/17/2018



Doris L. Pryor
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of Indiana

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