

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS CO., L.P.,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 11-2686-JWL
)	
TIME WARNER CABLE, INC., et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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ORDER

The court convened a telephone status conference on November 14, 2014, to discuss reported problems between the parties in attempting to meet-and-confer over the issue of the representation of former-Sprint executive Craig Cowden by counsel for Time Warner Cable.¹ As discussed on the record, unless the parties can come to a quicker solution with fewer people involved, the court set a deadline of **4:00 p.m. on November 21, 2014**, for the parties to convene a conference call (with two full hours set aside), with all necessary decision makers on the line,² to meaningfully discuss, compare views, and if possible, reach

¹On October 21, 2014, the court denied without prejudice Sprint's motion for a protective order placing restrictions on the representation of Mr. Cowden by Latham & Watkins, LLP (ECF doc. 452). The court directed the parties to meet-and-confer on the issue.

²Specifically, participants must include Sprint's counsel B. Trent Webb and in-house counsel Lee T. Lauridsen; Time Warner Cable's counsel Jake Ryan and in-house counsel Andy Block; Todd W. Ruskamp, the ethics advisor at the Shook, Hardy & Bacon law firm; and Everett (Kip) Johnson, the ethics advisor at the Latham & Watkins law firm. The court assumes, but is not requiring, the continued involvement of counsel Ryan Dykal and Stephanie Grace.

agreement on the issue.

In the hopefully unlikely event that the parties do not reach a resolution on the issue of Mr. Cowden's representation, the court set the following deadlines to govern a renewed motion for a protective order by Sprint:

- **November 24, 2014:** Sprint's renewed motion and brief in support, limited to five pages.
- **November 26, 2014:** Time Warner Cable's response in opposition, limited to five pages.
- **December 1, 2014, at 12:00 p.m.:** Sprint's reply brief, if any, limited to two pages.

The court will endeavor to rule any renewed motion expeditiously.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated November 14, 2014, at Kansas City, Kansas.

s/ James P. O'Hara
James P. O'Hara
U.S. Magistrate Judge