

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
SHREVEPORT DIVISION**

M'Leah Hassan  
v.  
City of Shreveport, et al

CIVIL CASE NO. 15-cv-2820  
JUDGE ELIZABETH E. FOOTE  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE HAYES

**PRESENT:**

HON. ELIZABETH E. FOOTE     **JUDGE**  
Barbara Simpson             **COURT REPORTER**  
Kathy Keifer                 **COURTROOM DEPUTY**

**DATE:** February 1, 2017  
**START TIME:** 9:30 a.m.  
**END TIME:** 10:00 a.m.  
**STATISTICAL TIME:** 00:30

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**MINUTES OF COURT: Rule to Show Cause Hearing**

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**APPEARANCES:**

Stephen Gipson, respondent, represented by Eric G. Johnson

Sarah Giglio                 for Plaintiff, M'Leah Hassan  
Michael Vergis

Claude Bookter             for Defendants, City of Shreveport and Willie Shaw

Donald Hathaway         for Defendant, James Greene

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**CASE CALLED: Show Cause hearing**

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**COMMENTS, RULING:**

Eric G. Johnson made his appearance on behalf of the respondent Stephen Gipson.

The Court strongly admonished the non-party witness, Stephen Gipson, for his failure to previously appear for the resumption of his deposition scheduled for September 20, 2016, and his failure to appear before Magistrate Judge Hayes on November 16, 2016.

For reasons orally stated, the Court adopts the findings of fact in the Report and Recommendation, Record Document [25], granting [18] Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions.

The parties agree that the deposition is hereby set for Friday, February 3, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of Claude Bookter, Jr., Casten & Pearce, Louisiana Tower, 401 Edwards Street, Suite 2100, Shreveport, LA.

The Court ordered a \$6,000.00 sanction as to Stephen Gipson, which will be lifted in the event he appears at the deposition and testifies truthfully, with the exception of a \$500.00 monetary fine, to be paid within thirty (30) days: \$270.00 to the U. S. Marshal; and \$230.00 to Plaintiff's counsel, Sarah Giglio, payable to the Clerk of Court, U.S. District Court, for disbursement by the Clerk to the parties.

Court adjourned at 10:00 a.m.