UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

Plaintiff,		No. 12-12212
V.		District Judge Denise Page Hood Magistrate Judge R. Steven Whalen
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ET AL.,		
Defendants.	/	

ORDER GRANTING IN PART, DENYING IN PART, AND TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT IN PART PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO COMPEL [DOC. #22]

For the reasons and under the terms stated on the record on July 16, 2013, Plaintiff's Motion to Compel [Doc. #22] is GRANTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART, as follows:

Interrogatory #17 (to Deputy Clayton): GRANTED.

Interrogatory #6 and #8 (to Livingston County): GRANTED IN PART. The scope of the response will be limited to (a) excessive force claims or complaints involving dogs as to all Sheriff's personnel; and (b) any excessive force claim, whether involving a dog or not, as to any Sheriff's personnel that handles dogs. The time frame shall be from 10 years prior to the filing of the Complaint in this case to the present.

Interrogatory # 9 (to Livingston County): GRANTED IN PART. The scope of the response will be limited to complaints of excessive force, whether or not dogs were involved. The time frame shall be from 10 years prior to the filing of the Complaint in this case to the present.

<u>Interrogatory #10 (Livingston County)</u>: GRANTED IN PART. The scope of the

response will be limited to complaints of excessive force, whether or not dogs were involved. The time frame shall be from 10 years prior to the filing of the Complaint in this case to the present.

Request to Produce # 1, #2 and #11 (to Deputy Clayton): DENIED. Much of the information contained in the privilege log, such as pay increases and routine personnel actions, is irrelevant. The Court reviewed three specific documents *in camera*: a May 12, 2011 document from Sgt. Schmidt, a February 8, 2008 internal investigation, and a November 21, 2005 intra-office memo from Deputy Clayton to Lt. Jake. None of these documents has any relevance to this case, nor are they likely to lead to the discovery of relevant evidence.

Request to Produce #2 (to Livingston County): GRANTED IN PART. The documents will be limited to complaints of excessive force, whether involving dogs or not, and to the handling or training of dogs. The time frame shall be from 10 years prior to the filing of the Complaint in this case to the present.

Request to Produce #3 (to Livingston County): GRANTED IN PART. The documents will be limited to complaints regarding excessive force, whether involving dogs or not, and to the handling or training of dogs. The time frame shall be from 10 years prior to the filing of the Complaint in this case to the present.

Request to Produce #4 (to Livingston County): GRANTED IN PART. The documents will be limited to complaints of excessive force, whether involving dogs or not. Any non-factual material that would fall under the deliberative process privilege may be redacted. The time frame shall be from five years prior to the filing of the Complaint in this case to the present.

Request to Produce #2 (to Livingston County): DENIED WITHOUT

PREJUDICE.

All discovery granted herein shall be produced within 14 days of the date of this

order.

In addition, Request to Produce #4, directed at Deputy Clayton, is TAKEN

UNDER ADVISEMENT. Plaintiff seeks internal affairs investigations of Deputy

Clayton. Within 14 days of the date of this Order, Defendants will provide any such

investigations involving claims of excessive force or use or training of dogs to the Court

for in camera inspection.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 16, 2013

s/ R. Steven Whalen

R. STEVEN WHALEN

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was sent to parties of record on July 16, 2013, electronically and/or by U.S. mail.

s/Michael Williams

Relief Case Manager to the

Honorable R. Steven Whalen

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