IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI WESTERN DIVISION

JACOB RYAN TUTOR BY AND THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND TERRI ESTES, JOSHUA SEAN TUTOR BY AND THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND TERRI ESTES, JOHN THOMAS TUTOR BY AND THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND TERRI ESTES, ALMA REGINA TUTOR INDIVIDUALLY AND AS NEXT FRIEND OF JAMES STEVENSON

PLAINTIFFS

V. CASE NO. 3:08CV16

PONTOTOC COUNTY, SHERRIF LEO MASK, BUDDY EUBANKS, SHEILA LUNN, R.N. PATRICIA PARKS, M.D.

DEFENDANTS

ORDER

This cause comes before the court on the motion [175] of the plaintiffs to strike the reply to the response to the March 13, 2009 motion for summary judgement or in the alternative for permission to file a surrebuttal memorandum.

The plaintiffs seek to strike this document because it raises the issue of causation which was not addressed in the initial motion for summary judgment. This court agrees that all grounds for summary judgment should be raised in an initial motion. However, striking the document would not best serve the interests of justice. The better cure is to allow surrebuttal. This solution allows the court to seek the truth in making its decision and allows the plaintiffs to present all valid arguments. The plaintiffs shall have 5 days from the entry of this order to file a surrebuttal memorandum.

The plaintiffs' motion to strike or in the alternative for surrebuttal is GRANTED IN

PART and DENIED IN PART.

This the 31st day of March, 2009.

/s/ MICHAEL P. MILLS
CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI