

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI**

**FAULKNER LITERARY RIGHTS, LLC**

**PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:12-CIV-100-M-A**

**SONY PICTURES CLASSICS INC.  
And JOHN DOE PERSONS OR  
ENTITIES 1-100**

**DEFENDANTS**

**ORDER DENYING JOINT MOTION FOR STAY PENDING  
THE COURT'S RULING ON PENDING MOTIONS**

Now before the Court is the joint motion [37] by Plaintiff Faulkner Literary Rights, LLC (“Plaintiff”) and Defendant Sony Pictures Classics Inc. (“Sony Classics”) to stay this matter pending the Court’s ruling on two motions: Sony Classics’ Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim (Dkt. No. 11) and Sony Classics’ Motion to Transfer Venue (Dkt. No. 13) (collectively, the “Pending Motions”). In view of the current trial setting for this case, April 7, 2014, the Court finds it is not feasible to stay these proceedings. Additionally, the court believes that no party will suffer substantial prejudice if this case is allowed to proceed. Nevertheless, the court finds that in the interest of the parties, the scheduling order deadlines should be extended.

**THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That the parties’ joint motion for a stay is **DENIED**.

2. That the scheduling order deadlines are amended as follows:
- a. Joinder of parties and amendment of pleadings – 7/31/13
  - b. Plaintiff's designation of experts – 9/2/13
  - c. Defendants' designation of experts – 10/2/13
  - d. Discovery – 12/2/13
  - e. *Daubert* and dispositive motions – 12/18/13

This 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2013.

/s/ Jane M. Virden  
U. S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE