

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

YOLANDA GONZALES,

Plaintiff,

v.

No. 2:22-cv-473 JCH/KRS

SAFECO INSURANCE
COMPANY OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

SCHEDULING ORDER

THIS MATTER comes before the Court following a telephonic Rule 16 scheduling conference held on September 15, 2022. At the hearing, the Court adopted the parties' proposed Joint Status Report and Provisional Discovery Plan, with slight modifications, as reflected in the dates below

Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the parties shall adhere to the following discovery plan:

- (a) Maximum of twenty-five (25) interrogatories by each party to any other party, with responses due thirty (30) days after service.
- (b) Maximum of twenty-five (25) requests for admission by each party to any other party, with responses due thirty (30) days after service.
- (c) Maximum of seven (7) depositions by Plaintiff and seven (7) by Defendant. Each deposition (other than of parties or designated experts) limited to maximum of four (4) hours unless extended by agreement of parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following case management deadlines shall govern:

- (a) Deadline for Plaintiff to amend pleadings and join additional parties pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15: **October 17, 2022**;
- (b) Deadline for Defendants to amend pleadings and join additional parties pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15: **November 18, 2022**;
- (c) Deadline for Plaintiffs' expert reports: **March 3, 2023**;
- (d) Deadline for Defendants' expert reports: **April 14, 2023**;
- (e) Termination of discovery: **May 29, 2023**;
- (f) Deadline for supplementing discovery/disclosures: Due as required under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(e);
- (g) Motions relating to discovery: **June 19, 2023**;
- (h) All other motions:¹ **June 29, 2023**;
- (i) Pretrial order: Plaintiffs to Defendants – **August 14, 2023**
Defendants to the Court – **August 28, 2023**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court must approve any changes to the timing or scope of discovery, other than the parties' agreement to extend the length of a deposition made during the deposition in question. Requests by a party to change the timing or scope of discovery, other than a mutual agreement to extend a deposition reached during the deposition, must be made by motion and before the termination of discovery or the expiration of any applicable deadline. Discovery must be completed on or before the termination of the discovery

¹ This deadline applies to motions related to the admissibility of experts or expert testimony that may require a *Daubert* hearing, but otherwise does not apply to motions *in limine*. The Court will set a motions *in limine* deadline in a separate order.

deadline. A written discovery request must be propounded by a date which ensures that the response to that request is due on or before the discovery deadline. The parties are further reminded that the cutoff for motions related to discovery does not relieve the party of the twenty-one (21) day time period under Local Rule 26.6 to challenge a party's objections to answering discovery. The parties are encouraged to review Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) to ensure they properly disclose *all* testifying witnesses, not just those for whom a report is required.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kevin Sweazea". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

KEVIN R. SWEAZEA
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE