UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		
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STONCOR GROUP, INC.,	:	
		<u>ORDER</u>
Plaintiff,	:	
		16 Civ. 4574 (LAK) (GWG)
-V	:	
PEERLESS INSURANCE COMPANY,	:	
Defendant.	:	
GABRIEL W. GORENSTEIN, UNITED STA	ALES MAG	ISIKATE JUDGE

With regard to defendant Peerless Insurance Company's request to depose Michael B. Sena, counsel for plaintiff Stoncor Group, Inc. (Docket ## 117, 118), the Court asks that the parties take steps now in an effort to possibly obviate the need for such a deposition.

First, defendant's counsel and Mr. Sena should have a telephonic discussion about the factual issues that defendant's counsel seeks to get answers to. The Court is hopeful that, as part of that discussion, the parties will be able to agree on the wording of focused interrogatories to Mr. Sena that might obviate the need for a deposition. The defendant should serve those interrogatories on Mr. Sena and, assuming they are not objectionable, he should answer them under oath promptly.

If defendant still believes a deposition is required after this process, it may make a new application for a deposition. Should that occur, Stoncor may renew its argument that the deposition should take place after the liability phase of this case.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 11, 2021 New York, NY

CABRIEL W. CORENSTEIN United States Magistrate Judge