

THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION  
NO: 7:12-CV-20-FL

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| SHERRYL LYNN JACOBS,               | ) |                         |
|                                    | ) |                         |
| Plaintiff,                         | ) |                         |
|                                    | ) |                         |
| v.                                 | ) |                         |
|                                    | ) |                         |
| ROBESON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY,     | ) | MOTION TO MODIFY        |
| BOARD OF DIRECTORY FOR ROBESON     | ) | MEDIATION ATTENDANCE    |
| COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, ROBERT F.   | ) | REQUIREMENT             |
| FISHER, HORACE STACY, GAIL MCLEAN, | ) | Local Rule 101.1d(d)(2) |
| And TINA MELLEN STEPP THOMAS,      | ) |                         |
|                                    | ) |                         |
| Defendants.                        | ) |                         |
|                                    | ) |                         |

Defendant Tina Mellen Stepp Thomas moves this court to modify the mediation attendance requirements by allowing her to attend the mediation of this case scheduled for February 6<sup>th</sup> in Pembroke, North Carolina via telephone on the grounds that requiring her to attend in person would cause an undue burden on her and her employer. Plaintiff's consent to Mrs. Thomas's attendance via telephone was sought. Plaintiff declined to give such consent.

This the 24th day of January, 2013.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I herby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon Plaintiff by depositing a copy thereof in the United States mail, first-class, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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This the 24th day of January, 2013.

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