IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION 1:16 CV 409

TALMAGE LEE JONES, JR.,)
Plaintiff,)
V) <u>ORDER</u>
JASON ANTHONY HIGGINS AND G & R)
TRUCKING CO. INC., AND CMH MANUFACTURING, INC.,)
Defendants)
v CMH MANUFACTURING, INC.,))
Third-Party Plaintiff,)
V)
HOYLE'S TIRE AND AXLE, LLC d/b/a HOYLE TIRE & AXLE,)
Third-Party Defendant.)

THIS MATTER is before the undersigned pursuant to Notice of Substitution of Counsel and Unopposed Motion for an Extension of Time (#33) filed by Isaac N. Northup, Jr. filed on behalf of Defendant G & R Trucking Company, Inc. In the motion, Defendant requests not only an extension of time to file an answer, which has already been allowed by this Court (#34), but Defendant further advises that Elizabeth C. Franks, counsel for Defendant, has a conflict of interest and will be filing a motion to withdraw. The undersigned has examined the file in this matter and such a motion has not been made. As a result, the Notice of Substitution of Counsel (#33) and request that Mr. Northup be substituted as counsel for Defendant, G & R Trucking Company, Inc. is denied without prejudice. Should Ms. Franks file a motion to withdraw, this Court will act upon it and at that time, Mr. Northup can make an appearance in this matter, should he chose to do so.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, **ORDERED** that the Notice of Substitution of Counsel (#33) of Isaac N. Northup, Jr. is **DENIED** and it is Ordered that Elizabeth C. Franks shall, on or before **July 5, 2017**, file with the Court either a statement of her intention to continue to represent G & R. Trucking Company, Inc. or that she file a motion to withdraw.

Signed: June 16, 2017

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Dennis L. Howell United States Magistrate Judge

