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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

QUINTIN E. HUGHES,	)
Plaintiff,	)
	)
v.	) Civil No. 14-961-MB0
	)
JEFFREY RICE, JR.,	)
	)
Defendant.	)

## ORDER REFERRING CASE TO ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

After due consideration of the issues and in consultation with the parties, the Court finds that this case is appropriate for referral to an alternative form of dispute resolution as provided by the local rules of this Court.

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

OTHER THOUSE

- (a) <u>Referral to ADR:</u> This case is referred to Mediation. Harry Paras, Esquire is appointed to serve as the mediator. Compensation of the neutral will be as follows: 50 % by Plaintiff and 50 % by Defendant.
- (b) <u>Conduct of ADR Conference(s)</u>: The ADR conference(s) shall be conducted in accordance with Local Rule 16.2 and the Court's ADR Policies and Procedures.
- (c) <u>Scheduling ADR Conference(s)</u>: The ADR conference(s) shall be concluded before February 10, 2015 unless extended by order of the Court. The ADR conferences may be conducted at any location agreed to by the parties, counsel, and the assigned neutral.
- (d) <u>Designation of Lead Counsel</u>: George Farneth II, counsel for Plaintiff, is designated as lead counsel and shall be responsible for working with the parties and the neutral to coordinate an agreeable date, time and location for the initial ADR conference.

If the parties are utilizing a private process, the case is still governed by the Court's

Local Rules and ADR Policies and Procedures. When private processes are used, it is the

responsibility of counsel to ensure that all of the proper forms are timely submitted and

filed, as required by Policies and Procedures.

The parties are hereby notified that any individual neutral (Court approved or

private) is required to become a registered user of the Electronic Case Filing System (ECF)

in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. Counsel shall

so notify their agreed upon neutral and refer them to the Court's website at

www.pawd.uscourts.gov for user registration forms. Counsel shall confirm to the Court

that the selected neutral has completed the process.

Nothing in this order alters the Case Management Order previously entered in this

case. All deadlines set forth in that Case Management Order remain in full force and

effect.

**SO ORDERED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014.

/s Maurice B. Cohill, Jr.

Maurice B. Cohill, Jr.

Senior United States District Judge