

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION

GW EQUITY, LLC,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	CIVIL ACTION NO.
	)	3-07 CV 0976-K
v.	)	
	)	
XCENTRIC VENTURES, LLC, <i>ET AL.</i> ,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**DEFENDANT XCENTRIC VENTURES, L.L.C.’S  
OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF’S MOTION FOR EXPEDITED PROCEEDINGS**

Defendants Xcentric Ventures, LLC (“Xcentric”) and Ed Magedson (“Magedson”) (collectively, “Defendants”) oppose Plaintiff GW Equity, LLC’s (“Plaintiff”) Motion for Expedited Proceedings on the basis that the schedule proposed by Plaintiff continues Plaintiff’s pattern of styling routine matters to this Court as an “emergency” in an attempt to prejudice Defendants’ ability to defend themselves.

Plaintiff has alleged numerous claims against Defendants, including such fact-intensive claims as defamation, business disparagement, and RICO violations. Additionally, Plaintiff has requested monetary damages that could conservatively reach into the millions of dollars if such damages are proven. Regardless of the complexity of each cause of action alleged by Plaintiff, and the complete lack of discovery which has begun in this action, Plaintiffs are now requesting that discovery be completed by September 28, 2007. Keeping in mind that this Court only ruled on Defendants’ Motion to Dismiss on August 7, 2007, even if discovery began that very same

day, that would only allow Defendants thirty-seven business days to begin and complete all collection of documents, identification and deposition of witnesses, and all other tasks pertaining to discovery. Such a heightened schedule, absent any true emergency, is simply too aggressive to allow.

In filing their Motion, Plaintiffs are attempting to re-litigate an issue which they have already lost on – the so-called “emergency” nature of their action. As this Court must recall, Plaintiffs filed an “Emergency Application for Injunctive Relief” on or around June 8, 2007. This Court held a hearing on Plaintiff’s Application for Preliminary Injunction on June 14, 2007. On June 27, 2007, the Court issued an Order denying Plaintiff’s Application for Preliminary Injunction and finding that no irreparable injury existed for Plaintiff. Yet in their present Motion, Plaintiff asks the Court to change its mind on the very same issue, arguing “GW Equity continues to suffer irreparable harm.” *See* GW Equity’s Emergency Motion for Expedited Proceedings, pp.1 and 2. This Court has already made the determination that no such irreparable harm exists.

Even if the Court had not made a previous ruling determining that Plaintiff is not suffering any irreparable injury, it should be clear from the lack of factual support in Plaintiff’s Motion that no such injury exists. Other than the bald statements made by Plaintiff that it is “suffering,” to date Plaintiff has not yet offered any evidence to support such an affliction. So that Defendants are not prejudiced by Plaintiff’s tendencies to present unsupported allegations, Defendants must be afforded an opportunity to formulate their defenses. However, Defendants are unable to formulate any true defenses without knowing the claims and damages of Plaintiff. It is the obligation of Plaintiff to disclose its theories of liabilities and all of the facts supporting these theories. Until such a disclosure is made, Defendants are clearly unable to defend against any of the as-yet undefined “claims” against them.

Defendants are particularly confused with Plaintiff's assertion that "Defendants will not be prejudiced by an expedited trial setting as the legal issues involved in this case are well-settled and there will likely be a small number of witnesses." *See* Motion, pp. 2-3. Such a statement is absolutely absurd! Plaintiff has alleged some extremely serious and fact-intensive claims against Defendants. Each claim in and of itself will require a vast number of hours to perform discovery about. Defendants' main defense is the Communications Decency Act, which is supported by Defendants' factual evidence that they did not author the allegedly defamatory statements. However, unless Plaintiff agrees to bifurcate discovery, Defendants must also conduct complicated and fact intensive discovery into the truth of the matters asserted. A similarly complex issue to defend against is Plaintiff's two claims for violations of the federal RICO statute. Since Plaintiff has not yet filed a RICO Case Statement, as required by the statute, Defendants cannot even begin to formulate an adequate defense to Plaintiff's claims because they cannot possibly understand the exact nature of Plaintiff's claims. Although Plaintiff may believe that the discovery it seeks "will not be unreasonable or burdensome," Defendants cannot make the same promise for the information necessary to formulate their defenses.

For the reasons stated herein, Defendants respectfully request that the Court deny the Emergency Motion for Expedited Proceedings requested by Plaintiff GW Equity.

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DATED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.

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