

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

VOICE OF THE EXPERIENCED, ET AL.

CIVIL ACTION

VERSUS

NO. 23-331-JWD-SDJ

R. KYLE ARDOIN

ORDER

In an email to the Court on October 24, 2023, Defense counsel informed the Court that she would move to sequester witnesses at the start of the October 25, 2023, hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary Injunction (Doc. 21), which will be conducted by Zoom video conferencing (the "*PI Hearing*"). Due to logistical issues with conducting a Zoom hearing, and due to the need to allow counsel adequate time to inform their witnesses of this order, the Court finds it best to issue the order of sequestration in advance of the *PI Hearing*. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that all witnesses shall be sequestered until the conclusion of the *PI Hearing* unless, prior to the conclusion of the hearing, a witness is released from the sequestration order. Therefore, while the *PI Hearing* is being conducted, all witnesses must remain outside of the Zoom video conference. No witness shall be permitted to discuss his or her testimony with any other witness. No witness shall be permitted to discuss matters regarding the issues in the case, what his or her testimony is, was, or will be, nor shall a witness be permitted to ask another witness what his or her testimony is, was, or will be. Furthermore, no witness shall be permitted to watch, listen to, or read any news account of this case until the hearing is concluded. The witnesses may talk to any of the lawyers in the case but are not required to do so.

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It shall be the responsibility of the lawyers to give a copy of this order to each of their respective witnesses for the *PI Hearing*.

Signed in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on October 24, 2023.



**JUDGE JOHN W. deGRAVELLES
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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