

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI  
AT KANSAS CITY

TERRENCE WISE, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

STATE OF MISSOURI, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2516-CV29597

Division 11

ELIZABETH HEALEY, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

STATE OF MISSOURI, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2516-CV31273

Division 11

SCHEDULING ORDER

On the 13th Day of January, 2026, the above matters came before the Court for a case management conference following their reassignment to the undersigned. Based on the discussions had and the Parties' jointly proposed schedule, the Court makes the following orders:

1. **TRIAL:** This matter is set for trial on February 17, 2026 at 9:00AM through February 20, 2026, in Division 11.
2. **EXPERT WITNESSES:** Plaintiffs shall designate retained and non-retained experts and submit expert reports by December 22, 2025. Defendants shall designate retained and non-retained experts and submit expert reports by January 7, 2026. Plaintiffs may submit rebuttal expert reports by January 14, 2026. The parties shall make testifying experts available for deposition on or before January 16, 2026, except for those already agreed to be conducted out of time (including depositions for Drs. Cromartie, Rodden, Stern, Hood, and Trende), provided that all expert depositions are completed by January 30, 2026. Depositions for out-of-state witnesses shall be conducted remotely, and for other witnesses in person or remotely by agreement.
3. **DISCOVERY:** All parties shall disclose an initial list of possible non-expert witnesses by December 22, 2025. All parties shall disclose their final disclosures of all non-expert witnesses by January 9, 2026. **All discovery must be completed by January 16, 2026.**<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The Court intends to honor the exception for expert depositions to be completed by January 30, 2026, as agreed by the parties in Paragraph 2.

4. **DEPOSITION DESIGNATIONS:** By February 6, 2026, parties shall serve and file designations by page and line of deposition testimony that the offering party intends to admit into evidence at trial. By February 10, 2026, each party shall serve and file any objections to the other party's deposition designations and shall provide any counter designations of testimony proposed to be admitted into evidence at trial. No later than February 13, 2026, the parties shall serve and file with the Court any objections to the other party's counter designations.<sup>2</sup> The parties have agreed that no depositions of testifying experts will be designated.
5. **PRETRIAL STATEMENTS, WITNESS AND EXHIBIT LISTS, AND STIPULATIONS OF FACT** shall be filed the Wednesday before trial, February 11, 2026.
6. **PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** shall be filed one week after the conclusion of the trial or within five days of the receipt of a final transcript. The Parties stipulate to sharing the cost of a private court reporter with daily roughs and a rush-ordered final trial transcript, if the Court's reporter cannot expedite a final transcript.<sup>3</sup>
7. **OTHER ORDERS:**

Discovery requests sent before December 29, 2025 shall be due within 21 days of service, with the parties endeavoring in good faith to serve responses within 14 days. Responses to discovery requests sent after December 29, 2025 shall be due within 14 days.

All written discovery must be served at a time that allows responses to be completed and served no later than January 16, 2026.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

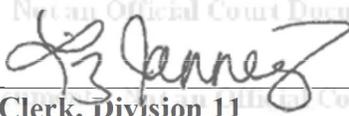
January 16, 2026

DATE

  
ADAM CAINE, Circuit Judge

**Certificate of Service**

This is to certify that the foregoing was automatically forwarded to the attorneys of record through the Court's eFiling system at the date stated above.

  
Law Clerk, Division 11

<sup>2</sup> The Parties requested in their proposed order to forgo the default requirement to read admitted designations into the record at trial. The Court will work with the parties to honor an agreement where the depositions are part of the evidentiary record without being read into the record during the trial.

<sup>3</sup> The Court encourages the parties to jointly communicate with the Court's official court reporter as the Court does not anticipate authorizing the use of a private court reporter.