

Cause No. 412249-401

IN THE ESTATE OF
NELVA E. BRUNSTING,
DECEASED

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IN THE PROBATE COURT
NUMBER FOUR (4) OF
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

DOCKET CONTROL ORDER

The following docket control order shall apply to this case unless modified by the Court. If no date is given below, the item is governed by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

1. N/A **JOINDER.** All parties must be added and served, whether by amendment or third party practice, by this date. THE PARTY CAUSING THE JOINDER SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THE SCHEDULING ORDER AT THE TIME OF SERVICE
2. _____ **EXPERT WITNESS DESIGNATION.** Expert witness designations are required and must be filed and served by the following dates. The designation must include the information listed in Rule 194.2(f). Failure to timely respond will be governed by Rule 193.6:
(a) 11/5/2021 Experts for parties seeking affirmative relief.
(b) 11/19/2021 All other experts.
3. _____ **DISCOVERY LIMITATIONS.** The discovery limitations of Rule 190.2, if applicable, or otherwise, of Rule 190.3, apply, unless changed below:
(a) _____ Total hours per side for oral depositions.
(b) _____ Number of interrogatories that may be served by each party on any other party.
4. N/A per AJ **ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION.** ADR conducted pursuant to the agreement of the parties must be completed by this date. **If the parties do not agree on a date and/or facilitator for ADR, the Court may sign an order compelling ADR and appointing a mediator for same.**
5. 02/14/2022 **DISCOVERY PERIOD ENDS.** All discovery must be completed before the end of the discovery period. Parties seeking discovery must serve requests sufficiently far in advance of the end of the discovery period that the deadline for responding will be within the discovery period. Counsel may conduct discovery beyond this deadline by agreement. Incomplete discovery will not delay the trial.

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6. _____ **DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS AND PLEAS.** Must be heard as follows:
- (a) 12/31/2021 Dispositive motions or pleas subject to an interlocutory appeal must be heard by this date.
- (b) 02/07/2022 Summary Judgment motions not subject to an interlocutory appeal must be heard by this date.
- (c) 08/06/2021 Rule 166a(i) motions may not be filed before this date.
7. 01/14/2022 **CHALLENGES TO EXPERT TESTIMONY.** All motions to exclude expert testimony and evidentiary challenges to expert testimony must be filed by this date, unless extended by leave of court.
8. 10/15/2021 **PLEADINGS.** All amendments and supplements must be filed by this date. This order does not preclude prompt filing of pleadings directly responsive to any timely filed pleading
9. 02/21/2022, by Noon **JOINT PRE-TRIAL ORDER.** Parties shall provide to the Court, by fax, email, or delivery to our offices, a copy of the signed Agreed Joint Pretrial Order by this date. Parties shall bring the original Agreed Joint Pretrial Order to the Pretrial Conference.
10. 02/24/2022, at 10 a.m. **PRETRIAL CONFERENCE.** Parties shall be prepared to discuss all aspects of trial with the Court at this time. Parties shall file and exchange (if jury trial) proposed jury charge questions, instructions and definitions at this conference. Parties should be prepared to mark exhibits. Failure to appear will be grounds for dismissal for want of prosecution.
11. 04/04/2022 at 9:00 a.m. **TRIAL.**

Signed this _____ day of June 2021.

Signed on: 06/10/2021
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cc Judge Presiding