STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE COURT OF CLAIMS

DELL CRAWFORD,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 26-000068-MZ

-vs-

Hon. Sima G. Patel

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

Defendant.


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**STIPULATED SCHEDULING ORDER**

At a session of said Court held in the
City of Detroit, State of Michigan,
on May 6, 2026

PRESENT: Honorable SIMA G. PATEL

This matter having come before the Court pursuant to the Court's request that the parties submit a stipulated scheduling order, and the parties having conferred and stipulated to the following schedule;

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

**1. Initial Disclosures**

The parties shall exchange initial disclosures pursuant to MCR 2.302 on or before: **July 30, 2026.** A copy of the initial disclosures shall be filed with the Court Clerk.

**2. Witness Lists**

**Lay Witness Lists:**

All parties shall file and serve lay witness lists on or before: **August 30, 2026.**

**Expert Witness Lists:**

All parties shall file and serve expert witness lists on or before: **August 30, 2026.** Expert disclosures shall comply with the Michigan Court Rules.

**3. Mediation / Alternative Dispute Resolution**

The parties shall complete mediation or other alternative dispute resolution on or before: **December 31, 2026.**

If the parties select a mediator, they shall notify the Court of the mediator selected and the anticipated mediation date.

**4. Completion of Discovery**

All discovery shall be completed on or before: **December 31, 2026.** The parties may stipulate to an extension of discovery provided it does not require adjournment of any other deadlines.

**5. Dispositive Motions**

The deadline for filing dispositive motions pursuant to **MCR 2.116** shall be: **January 31, 2027.**

Response briefs shall be filed **21 days** after the filing of the motion.

Reply briefs shall be filed **7 days** after the filing of the response.

The Court will schedule oral argument if it determines a hearing is necessary.

**6. Related Circuit Court Cases**

There are **no related circuit court cases** pending.

**7. Final Pretrial Conference**

**TBD by the Court**

**8. Trial**

**TBD by the Court**

**9. Motions in Limine**

All motions in limine shall be filed **no later than 21 days before trial** and shall be heard **no later than 7 days before trial**, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

**10. Status Conferences**

The Court may schedule status conferences as needed. The parties may request a status conference at any time.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Date: May 6, 2026

HON. SIMA G. PATEL
Court of Claims Judge

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