

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

_____,) Case No.
_____,) Chapter
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Debtor(s).)
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_____))
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_____,)
_____,)
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Plaintiff(s),)
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vs.) Adversary No.
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_____,)
_____,)
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Defendant(s).)
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_____)

FINAL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE ORDER

On _____, 20__, a final pretrial conference was held in this case at _____,
Kansas, before the Honorable Janice Miller Karlin, Bankruptcy Judge.

1. APPEARANCES

Counsel present and participating were (name of trial counsel) of (firm name and place of practice) for the plaintiff, (name of plaintiff), and _____
of _____ for the defendant, _____.

2. JURISDICTION AND CONSENT TO FINAL ORDER

The parties to the above captioned (adversary proceeding) (contested matter) stipulate to the jurisdiction of the Court and consent to the trial and entry of a final order by the Bankruptcy Court.

3. NATURE OF CASE

[Please set out a brief, general statement of the nature of the case or matter, specifying applicable statutory references; concisely identify the parties and their respected positions as well as a brief set of facts.]

4. AMENDMENTS TO PLEADINGS

There are no amendments to the pleadings.

(or)

_____ moved to amend his/her/its _____
to allege _____. Having heard the arguments of counsel and being fully informed,
said motion was (overruled) (sustained).

5. DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS

There are no dispositive motions to be filed.

(or)

Dispositive motions will be filed by _____, 20____; responses/objections to same
will be filed twenty (20) days thereafter. When all briefing is complete, the motions will be brought to

the Court's attention for preliminary ruling.

6. STIPULATIONS

The parties hereto stipulate and agree that venue is properly laid in this District; that the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas has jurisdiction of the parties hereto and the subject matter hereof and may try the adversary proceeding to final judgment; that all proper, necessary and indispensable parties are parties hereto, and to the following facts:

A.

B.

C.

Unless the parties indicate otherwise, the law governing this case is that of the State of Kansas and the United States Bankruptcy Code.

7. ISSUES AND THEORIES

7.1 Plaintiff's first theory of recovery

A. Elements: In order to prevail [state theory of recovery], plaintiff must prove: [Identify each element of plaintiff's first theory of recovery]

B. Issues of fact: The following issues of fact relative to the above referenced elements must be resolved at trial: [list all issues and fact relevant to the theory of recovery stated above]

C. Issues of law: The following issues of law relative to the above elements of the above referenced theory of recovery must be resolved at trial: [all issues relevant to above referenced theory of recovery]

D. Mixed Issues of Fact and Law: The following mixed issues of fact and law relative to the above elements must be resolved at trial: [Please list all mixed issues of fact and law relevant to the above referenced theory of recovery.]

7.2 Defendant's first affirmative defense:

A. Elements: In order to prevail on [Affirmative defense number 1] , defendant must prove: [Identify elements].

B. Issues of fact: The following issues of fact relative to the above elements must be resolved at trial: [All issues relevant to affirmative defense number 1]

C. Issues of law: The following issues of fact relative to the above elements must be resolved at trial: [All issues relevant to affirmative defense number 1]

D. Mixed issues of fact and law: The following issues of fact relative to the above elements must be resolved at trial: [All issues relevant to affirmative defense number 1]

7.3 Counterclaims; cross claims; and third party claims:

Please include elements, issues of fact, issues of law and mixed issues in the format specified above for each and every counter, cross or third party-claim.

8. RELIEF SOUGHT

[State any non-monetary and monetary relief sought by any party, e.g., injunctive relief, determination of dischargeability, allowance of claim, secured status, or similar concept, including an explanation of the basis for the relief. Reference to elements is extremely helpful in this connection.]

9. LIST OF CITATIONS
**(Only included if the parties elect not
to file trial briefs.)**

The list of citations should include case and statutory citations and authorities supporting the parties' respective theories. Please list citations by identifying them with the appropriate issues of law somewhat as follows:

Issue of Law

1.

Citation

1.

2.

[Such a list should be included for each party with respect to each theory to the extent that trial briefs will not be submitted.]

10. LIST OF EXHIBITS; REMINDER OF COMPLIANCE

10.1 List of Exhibits

A. Plaintiff's Exhibits.

Plaintiff has identified the following exhibits which will be offered into evidence at the trial of this case:

Title of Document

Date

Number of Pages

1.

2.

3.

4.

B. Defendant's Exhibits

Defendant has identified the following exhibits which will be offered into evidence at the trial of this case:

	<u>Title of Document</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Number of Pages</u>
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

10.2 Compliance

Counsel are to comply with Local Bankruptcy Rule 9072.1 and to furnish the Court with copies of all exhibits five (5) days in advance of trial, together with an exhibit list in a form substantially in compliance with the form available from the Clerk's office. (When there are numerous exhibits, the Court requests that they be submitted in a three-ring binder with tabs or dividers for reference).

10.3 Authentication of Exhibits

Not less than thirty (30) days prior to trial, each party shall serve upon each opposing party a legible copy of each exhibit the proponent intends to introduce at the time of trial. Not less than fifteen (15) days prior to trial, any opposing party shall serve upon the proponent of the exhibit objections to the exhibit under Rule 901 of the Federal Rules of Evidence. If such an objection is served, the proponent of the exhibit must adduce testimony to support introduction of the exhibit at trial. In the absence of such an objection, objections based on Rule 901 are waived. Provided, however, that all other objections to the receipt of the exhibits shall be reserved for the time of trial.

11. WITNESSES

11.1 Plaintiff's Witnesses

The names and addresses of witnesses plaintiff intends to call are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
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A.

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C.

11.2 Defendant's Witnesses

The names and addresses of witnesses defendant intends to call are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
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11.3 Summary of Testimony

Each party shall file with this order, a concise summary of the anticipated testimony of each and every witness and any other evidence the party intends to offer.

The order will be returned if the witness summary is not attached.

12. TRIAL

12.1 This case will be set for trial on the Court's docket as soon as practicable after either the entry of this Order or this Court's ruling on any dispositive motions.

12.2 Trial will be to the Court/to the jury.

12.3 Estimated time of trial is ____ days.

12.4 Trial will be in Wichita, Kansas, or such other place in the district where the case may first be reached for trial.

13. MOTIONS IN LIMINE

All motions in limine shall be served and filed no later than the 10 days prior to the trial date set by the Court. Any response shall be filed no later than five days after service of the motions in limine. Motions and memoranda in support of or in opposition to such motions shall be served by fax or hand delivery in addition to service by mail.

14. SETTLEMENT

14.1 Status of settlement efforts [Here summarize all settlement efforts to date including the good faith efforts to resolve this matter in which the parties have previously participated, the date the parties last exchanged written good faith settlement proposals, the parties' views concerning future settlement negotiations and their prospects, and unless mediation and/or any other method of alternative dispute resolution would be futile, the parties' plan for mediation and/or any other method of alternative dispute resolution (including the name of the person chosen to conduct the chosen process, the date the process will occur, and the party representatives who will participate.)]

14.2 Mediation and/or any other method of alternative dispute resolution is or is not ordered as follows: _____

15. FURTHER PROCEEDINGS AND FILINGS

15.1 Status Conference.

_____ If the trial judge deems it necessary a status conference will be scheduled at a time to be announced.

(or)

_____ A status conference with the trial judge will be scheduled for _____, 20__.

15.2 Trial Briefs.

Each party desiring to submit a trial brief shall comply with the requirements of D. Kan. Rule 7.6 as it is made applicable to bankruptcy by L.B.R. 1001.1. Plaintiff's trial brief (if any) shall be served and filed no later than 10 days in advance of trial. Defendant's trial brief (if any) shall be served and filed no later than 5 days in advance of trial. Each party filing a trial brief shall deliver an extra copy to the judge's chambers at the time of filing. Unless noted below, the Court does not require trial briefs, but finds them helpful, particularly if the parties anticipate that unique or difficult issues will arise during trial.

_____ If checked, the Court requires trial briefs be filed on the schedule set out above.

16. ORDERS OF THE COURT

16.1 Except by consent of the parties or by order of the Court to prevent manifest injustice, exhibits not listed and not described in this order shall not be admitted into evidence and witnesses not listed and not identified in this Order shall not testify except in proper rebuttal. Either party may offer the testimony of witnesses listed by the other and either party may offer into evidence exhibits listed by the other.

16.2 The pleadings in the above captioned case are incorporated herein by reference, but this order shall control the subsequent course of this action and shall not be modified

except by order of the Court on its own motion or on motion of the parties to prevent manifest injustice.

16.3 The Court finds that this case is at issue, all discovery is complete and that the case will be ready for trial upon entry of this order and any order(s) resolving any dispositive motions. This order shall supersede the pleadings filed herein in defining issues for trial to the Court.

16.4 The date of trial will be set by the Court after consultation with the parties and, as such, will be deemed to be agreed to among the parties. Therefore, a trial setting will likely not be continued. Parties seeking continuances are advised to refer D. Kan. Rule 6.1(b) and to note that strict compliance with same is required as this rule has been adopted by this Court, L.B.R. 1001.1.

ENTERED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 20__.

JANICE MILLER KARLIN, BANKRUPTCY JUDGE
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF KANSAS

APPROVED:

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