

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.:  
CIVIL DIVISION

Plaintiff(s),

v.

Defendant(s).

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**STANDING CIVIL CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER: ESTABLISHING GENERAL  
CASE TRACK DEADLINES**

All civil actions, except those enumerated in Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200(a), must be assigned one of three case management tracks within **120 days** after the action is filed. This case is hereby initially designated as “General” for purposes of Rule 1.200. **Plaintiff shall file and serve this Standing Order upon all named Defendant(s) along with the summons and complaint.**

**CASE TRACK ASSIGNMENT DEADLINES:**

The parties are subject to a continuing duty to **MEET AND CONFER** regarding the projected deadlines established by this Order. *All deadlines established by this Order shall be strictly enforced unless specifically altered or modified by a subsequently issued order of this Court.<sup>1</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> If this action is subject to a previously entered Uniform Order Scheduling Trial (Bench or Jury), all dates and deadlines contained in the Uniform Order Scheduling Trial shall supersede any dates and deadlines contained in this Standing Civil Case Management Order.

| <b>CATEGORY:</b>   | <b>“GENERAL” CASE TRACK DEADLINES:</b>   |
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| <b>Service of Complaint</b>  | 120 days after the action is filed. <i>See Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.070(j)</i>  |
| <b>Service Under Extension</b>   | Deadlines for extensions to serve process upon defendants will be at the discretion of the trial judge. Generally, parties should not expect an extension of longer than 180 days from the filing of the complaint to execute service. <i>See Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.070(j)</i> . |
| <b>Anticipated Trial Date</b>  | 18 months from the date of service of initial process on the last defendant or 120 days after commencement of the action as provided in Rule 1.050, whichever occurs first, to final disposition.  |
| <b>Adding New Parties</b>  | 180 days from the filing of the complaint  |
| <b>Completion of Fact Discovery</b>  | 60 days before the initially set Pre-Trial Conference  |
| <b>Completion of Expert Discovery</b>  | 45 days before the initially set Pre-Trial Conference  |
| <b>Filing and service of motion for summary judgment</b>   | 75 days before the initially set Pre-Trial Conference  |
| <b>Completion of Alternative Dispute Resolution, including Non-Binding Arbitration and Mediation</b> | 45 days before the Pre-Trial Conference  |
| <b>Filing and Resolution of All Objections to Pleadings</b>  | The filing shall be 120 days from the date of the service of the complaint. The hearing thereon shall occur before 180 days from the date of the service of the complaint.   |
| <b>Filing and Resolution of All Pretrial Motions</b>   | The filing shall be 45 days before the Pre-Trial Conference. The hearing thereon shall occur before the Pre-Trial Conference   |

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Within 20 days of filing any motion for which a hearing is requested, the moving party must contact the presiding judge's office to set the motion for hearing. Failure to seek such hearing may result in the motion being denied.

2. Within thirty (30) days of entry of this Standing Order for Plaintiff, and within thirty (30) days of filing an appearance in this case for each Defendant/Third-Party Defendant, counsel, or the party if pro se, shall file a certification that they have read and agree to abide by this Standing Order and the presiding judge's Administrative Procedures, which may be found on the 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit's website, [www.jud14.flcourts.org](http://www.jud14.flcourts.org). Failure to comply with this Standing Order or any Administrative Procedures may result in denial of hearing time, denial of a motion or other requested relief, an award of attorney's fees and/or costs, striking of pleadings, dismissal of claims, a finding of contempt, or other potential actions.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, Bay County, Florida, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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James J. Goodman, Jr.  
CIRCUIT JUDGE

Copies to:  
All parties of record via electronic service

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