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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

In re:

_____ ,	
Debtor.	
_____ ,	
Plaintiff,	
v.	
_____ ,	
Defendant.	

Chapter \_ Proceeding

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

Adversary No. \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE OF SCHEDULING  
CONFERENCE AND ORDER RE:  
RULE 7016(b) OF FEDERAL RULES  
OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE**

All defendants having answered, and any non-answering defendants having been defaulted, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7016, the parties are to appear at a Scheduling Conference not to exceed 15 minutes on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m. at United States Bankruptcy Court, \_\_\_\_\_.

**ALL COUNSEL SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR CALENDARS AT THE SCHEDULING CONFERENCE** as the Court will set deadlines and may schedule the matter for trial.

1           2.     At least 14 days prior to the Scheduling Conference the parties shall hold the  
2 initial meeting required by Bankruptcy Rule 7026(f). This meeting may be held telephonically.

3           3.     The parties shall make the initial disclosures required by Rule 7026(a) and file the  
4 discovery plan required by Rule 7026(f) at least two business days before the Scheduling  
5 Conference.

6           4.     **AT THE SCHEDULING CONFERENCE, THE PARTIES SHALL BE**  
7 **PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:**

8           a.     Whether the parties have complied with the requirement of Bankruptcy  
9 Rules 7008(a) and 7012(b) and local Bankruptcy Rules 7008-1 and 7012-1 regarding  
10 designation of the matter as core or non-core and whether they consent to the entry of  
11 final orders or judgments by the Bankruptcy Court;

12           b.     all matters relevant to the entry of a scheduling order, including all matters  
13 set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 7016(b);

14           c.     whether a trial is required;

15           d.     whether expert testimony will be proffered;

16           e.     deadlines for disclosure of experts and deadline for exchanges of expert  
17 reports;

18           f.     deadlines to complete expert and non-expert discovery;

19           g.     deadline for filing dispositive motions;

20           h.     deadlines for filing motions in limine and pretrial briefs;

21           i.     deadlines for exchanging and filing lists of witnesses and exhibits, and  
22 exchanging copies of exhibits;

23           j.     deadline for filing the joint pretrial statement;

24           k.     deadline for making a request for a mediation or settlement conference;

25           l.     whether all parties agree on use of declarations for direct testimony of fact  
26 and/or expert witnesses; and,

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m. the estimated time for trial.

5. Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7026 through 7037 and local Bankruptcy Rule 7037-1 shall apply to all discovery in this proceeding. At the Scheduling Conference, and after consultation with the parties and considering the nature of the claims to be resolved, the Court will decide whether further compliance with the Bankruptcy Rules is necessary or appropriate. If further compliance is excused, limited or conditioned, the Court will enter such further scheduling orders at the Scheduling Conference as may be appropriate in the circumstances.

6. Extension for Good Cause and Requests for Pre-trial Conferences. **THE DEADLINES SET FORTH IN THIS ORDER MAY BE EXTENDED ONLY BY APPROVAL OF THE COURT.** The Court will consider a request for a pre-hearing conference to adjust the dates and procedures set forth in this order. Any request for a pre-hearing conference must be made by motion and must set forth why the deadlines and procedures in this order need to be extended or otherwise adjusted.

7. Plaintiff shall provide notice of this order on ALL defendants and interested parties and file a certificate of service with the Court.

**DATED AND SIGNED ABOVE**