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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GABRIELA MAGDALENA
MENDOZA ARAIZA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MACY’S CORPORATE SERVICES,
INC. et al.,

Defendants.

Case No.: 3:18-cv-01157-LAB-RBM

**SCHEDULING ORDER
REGULATING DISCOVERY
AND OTHER PRE-TRIAL
PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to Rule 16.1(d) of the Local Rules, a Case Management Conference was held on **March 6, 2019**. After consulting with the attorneys of record for the parties and being advised of the status of the case, and good cause appearing, **IT IS HEREBY**

ORDERED:

1. Any motion to join other parties, to amend the pleadings, or to file additional pleadings shall be filed by **March 25, 2019**.

2. All fact discovery shall be completed by all parties by **September 20, 2019**. “Completed” means that all discovery under Rules 30-36 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and discovery subpoenas under Rule 45, must be initiated a sufficient period of time in advance of the cut-off date, **so that it may be completed** by the cut-off date,

1 taking into account the times for service, notice and response as set forth in the Federal
2 Rules of Civil Procedure. **Counsel shall promptly and in good faith meet and confer**
3 **with regard to all discovery disputes in compliance with Local Rule 26.1(a).** The
4 Court expects counsel to make every effort to resolve all disputes without court
5 intervention through the meet and confer process. If the parties reach an impasse on any
6 discovery issue, counsel shall file an appropriate motion within the time limit and
7 procedures outlined in the undersigned magistrate judge's chambers rules. **A failure to**
8 **comply in this regard will result in a waiver of a party's discovery issue. Absent an**
9 **order of the court, no stipulation continuing or altering this requirement will be**
10 **recognized by the court.**

11 3. The parties shall designate their respective experts in writing by **October 18,**
12 **2019.** The parties must identify any person who may be used at trial to present evidence
13 pursuant to Rules 702, 703 or 705 of the Fed. R. Evid. This requirement is not limited to
14 retained experts. The date for exchange of rebuttal experts shall be by **November 1,**
15 **2019.** The written designations shall include the name, address and telephone number of
16 the expert and a reasonable summary of the testimony the expert is expected to provide.
17 The list shall also include the normal rates the expert charges for deposition and trial
18 testimony.

19 4. By **December 6, 2019,** each party shall comply with the disclosure
20 provisions in Rule 26(a)(2)(A) and (B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. This
21 disclosure requirement applies to all persons retained or specially employed to provide
22 expert testimony, or whose duties as an employee of the party regularly involve the
23 giving of expert testimony. **Except as provided in the paragraph below, any party**
24 **that fails to make these disclosures shall not, absent substantial justification, be**
25 **permitted to use evidence or testimony not disclosed at any hearing or at the time of**
26 **trial. In addition, the Court may impose sanctions as permitted by Fed. R. Civ. P.**
27 **37(c).**

28 5. Any party shall supplement its disclosure regarding contradictory or rebuttal

1 evidence under Rule 26(a)(2)(D) by **December 20, 2019**.

2 6. All expert discovery shall be completed by all parties by **January 17, 2020**.
3 The parties shall comply with the same procedures set forth in the paragraph governing
4 fact discovery.

5 7. Failure to comply with this section or any other discovery order of the court
6 may result in the sanctions provided for in Fed. R. Civ. P. 37, including a prohibition on
7 the introduction of experts or other designated matters in evidence.

8 8. All other dispositive motions must be filed by **February 14, 2020**. Counsel
9 for the moving party must obtain a motion hearing date from the law clerk of the judge
10 who will hear the motion. The period of time between the date you request a motion date
11 and the hearing date may vary from one district judge to another. Please plan
12 accordingly. Failure to make a timely request for a motion date may result in the motion
13 not being heard. Motions in limine are to be filed as directed in the Local Rules, or as
14 otherwise set by the district judge.

15 9. A Mandatory Settlement Conference shall be conducted on **May 6, 2020** at
16 **10:00 a.m.** in the chambers of **Magistrate Judge Ruth Bermudez Montenegro**, at the
17 United States Courthouse, 2003 W. Adams Ave., Ste. 220, El Centro, CA 92243.
18 Counsel or any party representing himself or herself shall submit confidential settlement
19 briefs directly to chambers by **April 22, 2020**. All parties are ordered to read and to fully
20 comply with the Chamber Rules of the assigned magistrate judge.

21 10. Despite the requirements of Civil Local Rule 16.1(f)(2), neither party is
22 required to file a Memorandum of Contentions of Fact and Law at any time. The parties
23 shall instead focus their efforts on drafting and submitting a proposed pretrial order by
24 the time and date specified by Civil Local Rule 16.1(f)(6)(b). The proposed pretrial order
25 shall comply with Civil Local Rule 16.1(f)(6) and the Standing Order in Civil Cases
26 issued by the assigned district judge.

27 11. Counsel shall comply with the pre-trial disclosure requirements of Fed. R.
28 Civ. P. 26(a)(3) by **May 19, 2020**. Failure to comply with these disclosure requirements

1 could result in evidence preclusion or other sanctions under Fed. R. Civ. P. 37.

2 12. Counsel shall meet and take the action required by Local Rule 16.1(f)(4) by
3 **May 25, 2020**. At this meeting, counsel shall discuss and attempt to enter into
4 stipulations and agreements resulting in simplification of the triable issues. Counsel shall
5 exchange copies and/or display all exhibits other than those to be used for impeachment.
6 The exhibits shall be prepared in accordance with Local Rule 16.1(f)(4)(c). Counsel shall
7 note any objections they have to any other parties' Pretrial Disclosures under Fed. R. Civ.
8 P. 26(a)(3). Counsel shall cooperate in the preparation of the proposed pretrial
9 conference order.

10 13. Counsel for plaintiff will be responsible for preparing the pretrial order and
11 arranging the meetings of counsel pursuant to Civil Local Rule 16.1(f). By **June 1, 2020**,
12 plaintiff's counsel must provide opposing counsel with the proposed pretrial order for
13 review and approval. Opposing counsel must communicate promptly with plaintiff's
14 attorney concerning any objections to form or content of the pretrial order, and both
15 parties shall attempt promptly to resolve their differences, if any, concerning the order.

16 14. The Proposed Final Pretrial Conference Order, including objections to any
17 other parties' Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(3) Pretrial Disclosures shall be prepared, served and
18 lodged with the assigned district judge by **June 8, 2020**, and shall be in the form
19 prescribed in and comply with Local Rule 16.1(f)(6).

20 15. The final Pretrial Conference is scheduled on the calendar of the **Honorable**
21 **Larry Alan Burns** on **June 15, 2020** at **12:00 p.m.**

22 16. The parties must review the chambers' rules for the assigned district judge
23 and magistrate judge.

24 17. A post trial settlement conference before a magistrate judge may be held
25 within 30 days of verdict in the case.

26 18. The dates and times set forth herein will not be modified except for good
27 cause shown.

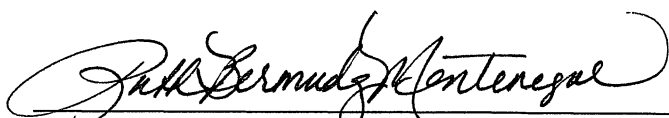
28 19. Briefs or memoranda in support of or in opposition to any pending motion

1 shall not exceed twenty-five (25) pages in length without leave of a district court judge.
2 No reply memorandum shall exceed ten (10) pages without leave of a district court judge.
3 Briefs and memoranda exceeding ten (10) pages in length shall have a table of contents
4 and a table of authorities cited.

5 20. Plaintiff's counsel shall serve a copy of this order on all parties that enter
6 this case hereafter.

7 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

8 DATE: March 6, 2019

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12 HON. RUTH BERMUDEZ MONTENEGRO
13 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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