# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

KIM REINDL, et al.,	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
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V.	)	Case No. 04-2584-RDR
CITY OF LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS,	)	
et al.,	)	
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Defendants.	)	

## **ORDER**

The undersigned U.S. Magistrate Judge, James P. O'Hara, has been informed that all of the claims and issues in this case have settled, except for one item. It concerns the amount that the plaintiffs, Kim Reindl and Mary Joan Reindl, are obligated to pay the defendants, the City of Leavenworth, Kansas, Lee Doehring, James Bridges, Wayne Flewelling, Sean Goecke, and Nicholas Nordmann, as a result of the order filed by the undersigned on August 23, 2005. On October 19, 2006, at the request of the parties' respective attorneys, the undersigned held a telephone hearing to address the above-described issue. Plaintiffs appeared through counsel, Allen A. Ternent. Defendants appeared through counsel, Michael K. Seck. Messrs. Ternent and Seck acknowledged that the instant issue is non-dispositive within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 636 and agreed on behalf of their clients to submit the issue to the undersigned for clarification of his order and agree to be bound by such ruling. This

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Doc. 77.

is with the further understanding that, sometime within the next ten days, the parties will file a stipulation for dismissal with prejudice pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(ii) and, concurrent with said filing, tender a proposed corresponding order of dismissal to the chambers of the presiding U.S. Senior District Judge, Hon. Richard D. Rogers.

In addition to the court's order of August 23, 2005 (doc. 77), and the statements of counsel made during the October 19, 2006, hearing, the court has considered the letters submitted by counsel in advance of the hearing. For benefit of the record, a copy of Mr. Seck's letter dated September 22, 2006 is attached to this order as Exhibit 1; a copy of Mr. Ternent's letter dated September 25, 2006 is attached to this order as Exhibit 2. For the reasons explained below, the court generally concurs with the positions taken by Mr. Ternent on plaintiffs' behalf.

The facts material to the issue now before the court are as follows. On August 8, 2005, plaintiffs filed a motion for leave to designate expert witnesses out of time.<sup>2</sup> On August 23, 2005, the undersigned magistrate judge issued his order granting plaintiffs' motion on certain conditions.<sup>3</sup> The relevant portions of that order are as follows:

Therefore, despite plaintiffs' failure to show good cause, the court will exercise its inherent discretion and grant plaintiffs' motion to designate expert witnesses out of time (doc. 73). However, in granting their motion, the court believes it entirely appropriate to place stringent requirements on plaintiffs.

. . . .

Defendants will incur additional expert witness expenses, certainly in the hundreds of dollars and perhaps as much as a few

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Doc. 73.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Doc. 77.

thousand, in asking their previously retained and disclosed experts to modify their reports to take into account issues that presumably will be raised by plaintiffs' experts. The court believes it manifestly fair to try to ameliorate defendants' prejudice as a result of plaintiffs' above-described failure to meet the terms of the scheduling order. Therefore, plaintiffs shall be responsible for defendants' additional expenses. By **December 1, 2005**, defendants shall provide plaintiffs with a bill of expenses incurred in revising the defendants' expert reports. Plaintiffs shall pay defendants for all such costs by **December 15, 2005**, and shall file a certificate of service with the court indicating that the fees have been paid.

Defendants shall also have the opportunity, should they so choose, to depose any experts designated by plaintiffs. These depositions shall take place by **November 8, 2005.** As the discovery period has closed, however, and since plaintiffs are at fault for these delays, plaintiffs shall not be allowed to take any further discovery in this case, including but not limited to deposing defendants' experts.

The court is sensitive to the fact that plaintiffs might not be in the financial position to pay for defendants' expert fees in connection with revising reports. Nevertheless, the court's granting of plaintiffs' motion is specifically and expressly contingent upon plaintiffs timely payment of these expenses. If plaintiffs do not pay timely defendants' additional expert expenses, the court will not hesitate to strike the expert designations served by plaintiffs.<sup>4</sup>

Defendants assert that, in order to provide their experts sufficient information to update their reports, they needed to depose plaintiffs' experts, Dr. Peter Cristiano, who is located in Leavenworth, Kansas, and Edward Leach, who was located in Idaho. Thereafter, pursuant to the court's order, defendants filed their Notice of Bill of Expenses on November 30, 2005. Also on November 30, 2005, defendants sent plaintiffs' counsel a letter to which they attached

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Doc. 77 at 10-11 (emphasis in original).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Doc. 82.

an itemization and receipts of the expenses they had incurred. Plaintiffs promptly paid the bill (\$7,555.51). However, plaintiffs now seek clarification of what expenses were intended by the court's ruling to be reimbursed. Plaintiffs have no objection to reimbursing defendants for the costs incurred for their experts to revise their reports (\$1,915.00).<sup>6</sup> But they do object to paying the attorney's fees and expenses related to the depositions of Dr. Cristiano and Mr. Leach (\$5,640.51).<sup>7</sup> Plaintiffs argue that these fees and expenses are normal and expected expenses of discovery to defendants and that they do not believe it was the intent of the court to require them to bear such cost. Plaintiffs further argue that to do so would constitute a "windfall" for defendants.

Upon review of the August 23, 2005 order, the court agrees that further clarification is warranted. For several reasons, the court agrees with plaintiffs that the language of the above-referenced order was <u>not</u> intended to require plaintiffs to pay the attorney's fees and expenses and related fees associated with deposing Dr. Christiano and Mr. Leach. Although the court's order did generally contemplate that defendants could depose plaintiffs' tardily disclosed experts <u>if</u> they so desired, the order expressly stated that the expenses in question were to relate to having defendants' previously disclosed experts revise the latter's reports to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> November 30, 2005 letter from defendants' counsel to plaintiff's counsel: Item 2. Invoice of Dr. Stephen Hamburger, dated October 6, 2005-\$316.25; Item 4. Invoice of Dr. Stephen Hamburger, dated October 12, 2005-\$1,306.25; and Item 6. Expert fees-Steve Ijames-\$292.50.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> November 30, 2005 letter from defendants' counsel to plaintiffs' counsel: Item 1. Deposition of Dr. Cristiano-court reporter fee-\$307.75; Item 3. Dr. Cristiano deposition fee-\$375.00; Item 5. Deposition of Edward Leach-court reporter fees-\$357.50; Item 7. Attorney fees-\$4,062.50; and Item 8. Leach deposition expenses (travel, airfare, etc.)-\$537.76.

take into account the opinions of plaintiffs' experts, i.e., there is no language in the order

which implied or from which it could reasonably be inferred that defendants would get to take

"free" depositions of plaintiffs' experts. Indeed, under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2), the operating

premise is that an expert's disclosure should be detailed enough that a subsequent deposition

of the expert is the exception, not the norm. Even assuming for the sake of discussion that

defendants legitimately perceived that plaintiffs' expert disclosures were so deficient that as

a practical matter the experts had to be deposed, the record confirms that defendants never

made that known to the court before deposing those experts. And finally, the \$7,555.51

claimed by defendants far exceeds what the court said in its order would be a reasonable

remedial sanction ("hundreds of dollars" at the low end, and "perhaps as much as a few

thousand" at the upper end). Therefore, out of the money previously paid by plaintiffs to

defendants, within 11 days of the filing of this order, defendants shall return \$5,640.51 to

plaintiffs.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2006, at Kansas City, Kansas.

s/ James P. O'Hara

James P. O'Hara

U.S. Magistrate Judge

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September 22, 2006

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Re: Kim Reindl and Mary Joan Reindl v. James Bridges, et al.

Case No. 04-CV-2584-RDR-JPO, USDC for the District of Kansas;

Claim No. GP09306973 09T033; Tracking No. MJ11521

FPS&S File No. 40,25082 MKS

# Dear Magistrate O'Hara:

As you are probably aware this case has been resolved through settlement with the exception of one item related to expenses. In this case, the Plaintiffs' moved for leave to designate experts witnesses out of time (Doc. 73). In ruling on the Plaintiffs' Motion this Court granted the Motion based upon certain conditions. Those conditions are contained in your Order (Doc. 77) at pp. 10-11.

As a result of the Court's Order, the Defendants' were required to depose Plaintiffs' experts Dr. Cristiano and Edward Leach in order to provide sufficient information for the update of expert opinions. Dr. Cristiano is located in Leavenworth, Kansas, and Edward Leach was located in Idaho.

Thereafter, pursuant to the Court's Order, the Defendants filed their Notice of Bill of Expenses (Doc. 82), on or about November 30, 2005. Separately, the Defendants' provided to Mr. Ternent correspondence dated, November 30, 2005, attached, itemizing the expenses incurred by the Defendants that they would not have been required to incur but for the Plaintiffs' failure to designate experts. A copy of that letter is attached. The Plaintiffs paid the entire amount requested.

Presently, the Plaintiffs ask this Court for clarification of its Order claiming that not all of the expenses paid should have been paid. The Defendants have no understanding of what portion of the list of expenses are in controversy. Nonetheless, the parties have agreed to submit this issue to the Court for clarification of its Order and agree to be bound by such clarification.

Hon. James P. O'Hara Magistrate Judge September 22, 2006 Page 2

It cannot be disputed that the Defendants were required to incur travel expenses to Leavenworth, Kansas and Idaho for the deposition of Plaintiffs' experts. It cannot be disputed that the Defendants were required to pay court reporter fees and expert deposition fees for these depositions. Finally, it cannot be disputed that the Defendants were required to pay the additional fees of their experts, Dr. Stephen Hamburger and Steve Ijames. Thus, the only presumed point of dispute lies in the attorney fees.

As of the date of that the Court considered Plaintiffs' Motion for Extension of Time, the Defendants had already served on July 12, 2005, their Expert Designation (Doc. 53), setting forth the opinions of their experts. Thus, as of the date of the Defendants' Designation, they had not had to incur the expense of the deposition of Plaintiffs' experts. With the Court's Order, however, the Defendants did have to incur the expense of attorneys' fees associated with these depositions. These are fees that but for the Plaintiffs' failure to designate experts would not have been incurred by the Defendants. They are properly included within the bill of expenses and have been properly paid by the Plaintiffs.

It is the Defendants' position that this Court's Order correctly contemplated that the Plaintiffs' pay the additional attorneys' fees associated with the expert depositions because they were required solely because the Plaintiffs failed to timely designate their experts.

Very truly yours,

FISHER, PATTERSON, SAYLER & SMITH, LLP

/s/ Michael K. Seck

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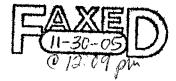
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U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas; Case No. 04-CV-2584-RDR-JPO

FPS&S File No. 40.25082 DSB/MKS

Dear Mr. Ternent:

Pursuant to the Court's Order of August 23, 2005 (Doc. 77), the following are the additional expenses incurred by the Defendants' associated with updating their expert reports, together with the supporting documentation:

1.	Deposition of Dr. Cristiano- court reporter fees	\$307.75
2.	Invoice of Dr. Stephen Hamburger, dated October 6, 2005	\$316.25
3.	Dr. Cristiano deposition fee	\$375.00
4.	Invoice of Dr. Stephen Hamburger, dated October 12, 2005	\$1,306.25
5.	Deposition of Edward Leach court reporter fees	\$357.50
6.	Expert fees – Steve Ijames	\$292.50
7.	Attorney fees	\$4,062.50
8.	Leach Deposition expenses (travel, airfare, etc.)	\$537.76
	Total:	\$7,555.51

Very truly yours,

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Dear Mr. Seck,

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10/12/05	MKS	Continued preparation for depo of expert Leach - review video and identify key times on video; outline additional points to cover	0.50	\$125.00	\$62.50
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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS AT KANSAS CITY

KIM REINDL, and MARY JOAN REINDL,	) DATE 11/30/05
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	) Case No. 04-02584-RDR-JPO
CITY OF LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS,	
et al.,  Defendants.	)

# **NOTICE OF SERVICE OF BILL OF EXPENSES**

COMES NOW the Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, and certifies and notifies the Court and Plaintiffs' counsel that on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005, he electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which sent notification of such filing and served via facsimile and U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, pursuant to this Court's Order of August 23, 2005 (Doc. 77), the Defendants' copy of their bill of expenses associated with costs incurred to update expert reports, and this Notice upon the following:

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Case No. 04-CV-2584-GTV-JPO. USDC for the District of Kansas;

Claim No. GP09306973 09T033; Tracking No. MJ11521

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MESSAGE: Please find enclosed Defendants' Notice of Service of Bill of Expenses, together with Mr. Seck's letter dated November 30, 2005 detailing the additional expenses incurred by Defendants in updating their expert reports and supporting documents.

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RE: CLARIFICATION OF THE COURT'S ORDER REGARDING REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE COSTS OF DEFENDANTS' EXPERTS TO REVISE THEIR REPORTS IN <u>REINDL</u> V. <u>CITY OF LEAVENWORTH</u>, ET AL (CASE NO. 04-2584-RDR)

Dear Judge O'Hara:

As I am sure you are aware, the Parties in Reindl v. City of Leavenworth et al Case No. 04-2584-RDR reached a settlement agreement in this case. The sole remaining issue, which the Parties agreed to submit to your Honor for clarification, involves the Parties' differing interpretations of your Order of August 23, 2005 providing for reimbursement of Defendants' costs relating to the modification of their experts witness reports.

In very brief summary of the events leading to your Honor's ruling, Plaintiffs filed a Motion for leave to designate expert witnesses out of time to which Defendants objected. Your Honor granted Plaintiffs' Motion but observed that "[D]efendants will incur additional expert witness expenses, certainly in the hundreds of dollars and perhaps as much as a few thousand, in asking their previously retained and disclosed experts to modify their reports to take into account issues that presumably will be raised by plaintiffs' experts." (Order, Document 77, pg. 10, emphasis added.) In recognition of the same, your Honor ruled that "[T]he court believes it manifestly fair to try to ameliorate defendants' prejudice as a result of plaintiffs' above-described failure to meet the terms of the scheduling order. Therefore, plaintiffs shall be responsible for defendants' additional expenses. By December 1, 2005, defendants shall provide plaintiffs with a bill of expenses incurred in revising the defendants' expert reports." (Id., emphasis added.) Your Honor further ruled that "[T]he court is sensitive to the fact that plaintiffs might not be in the financial position to pay for defendants' expert fees in connection with revising reports. Nevertheless, the court's granting of plaintiffs' motion is specifically and expressly contingent upon plaintiffs timely payment of these expenses. (Id. at pg. 11, emphasis added.)

In conformance with your Honor's ruling and timeline, Defendants provided a bill of expenses to Plaintiffs. Though the bill contained expense items that Plaintiffs did not believe were intended by your Honor's ruling to be reimbursed, Plaintiffs promptly paid the bill in full with the intention of seeking clarification from your Honor at a later date as to what might constitute overpayment. We now seek such clarification.

Your Honor accurately predicted that a second set of reports would be generated by Defendants' experts in light of issues raised by Plaintiffs' expert witnesses and rightfully ruled that it was only fair for Plaintiffs to bear the cost for Defendants' experts to revise their reports as revisions would not have been necessary if Plaintiffs had designated their experts in conformance with the Pre-trial Order. Plaintiffs therefore have no objection to items 2, and 6 of Defendants' statement which represent the additional cost to Defendants for their experts to revise their reports (see attachment "A" expense statement). Similarly, though Dr. Stephen Hamburger indicated in his letter and bill to Defendants of October 6, 2005 that he had reviewed the deposition of Plaintiffs' non-retained medical expert and that his opinions were "unchanged" (arguably making revision of his initial report unnecessary), Plaintiffs do not object to paying for Dr. Hamburger's largely rhetorical analysis of Dr. Christiano's deposition represented by item number 4. Plaintiffs do not believe, however, that the balance of the expenses, consisting entirely of deposition related expenses and attorney time associated therewith, were intended by your Honor to be the burden of the Plaintiffs. Such would reduce the normal and expected expense of discovery to Defendants and would constitute a windfall rather than a fair amelioration of the prejudice to defendants represented by the additional expense of having their experts prepare revised reports.

In summary, at no point in your Honor's ruling did the Court order that Plaintiffs were to bear the cost for additional defense discovery. Plaintiffs believe that your Honor's ruling is clear and that it only requires reimbursement to Defendants of the expense of having their experts generate revised reports. We ask that you so confirm.

Respectfully

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