

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 128, Original

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STATE OF ALASKA,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

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CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 15

For the purposes of the proceedings before the Special Master, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

(1) Amendment of the Comprehensive Case Management Plan. The large number of partial summary judgment motions filed in this case necessitates changes in the case schedule. Insufficient time remains between now and the scheduled trial date for the parties to complete briefing, for the Special Master to hold oral argument and prepare a report, for the parties to take and brief any exceptions, and for the Supreme Court to act upon the report and any exceptions. Accordingly, the Parties' Joint Motion to Amend the Comprehensive Case Management Plan (CCMP), dated August 21, 2002, is granted. The proposed schedule in CCMP Appendix C, as updated in Case Management Order Nos. 11, 13, and 14, is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Opposition briefs to the motions for partial summary judgment must be filed by November 8, 2002.
- (b) Reply briefs must be filed by December 20, 2002.
- (c) Oral arguments on the motions for partial summary judgment will be held on January 27 and 28, 2003, at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. The parties will file, by January 8,

2003, a joint proposal regarding the order of these oral arguments and the amount of time set for argument.

- (d) The January 15, 2003 deadline for exchange of final expert witness reports is vacated.
- (e) The February 14, 2003 deadline for serving written discovery requests is vacated.
- (f) The April 15, 2003 closure of discovery is vacated.
- (g) The deadline for the submission of a schedule of pretrial steps is vacated.
- (h) The July 14, 2003 trial date is vacated.

(2) Rescheduling Vacated Dates. A new schedule for the vacated dates will be ordered, with input from the parties, after final disposition of the summary judgment motions.

Dated: August 28, 2002

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