



process and each party which is not a natural person must be represented by an **executive officer (other than in-house counsel) with authority to negotiate a settlement** (the authority required shall be active, i.e., not merely the authority to observe the mediation proceedings but the authority to negotiate, demand or offer, and bind the party represented). Counsel and the parties shall proceed in a good faith effort to try to resolve this case.


Following the mediation, the court will be advised only that the case did or did not settle. Referral to alternative dispute resolution is not a substitute for trial, however, and the case will be tried if not settled.

The Court has selected **Courtenay Bass, Gilbert Mediation Group, CBS Television Tower, 12001 N. Central Expressway, Suite 650, Dallas, Texas 75243**, as the parties' mediator. The parties should ensure that Ms. Bass receives this Order. The mediator is directed by the Court to complete the attached Alternative Dispute Resolution Summary Form and file it with the clerk of court within ten (10) days after the mediation session is completed. *If the mediator has not already done so, he/she is required to register for electronic case filing with the Court within ten (10) days from this Order.* More information about the Court's Electronic Case Filing system may be found at <http://www.txnd.uscourts.gov/ecf-registration>.

The Court hereby **ORDERS** the parties to complete the mediation no later than April 21, 2023. Failure to comply in good faith with the requirements of this order may result in the imposition of sanctions. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(f).

SO ORDERED.

SIGNED: January 13, 2023.



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JANE J. BOYLE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE