



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OHIO COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

**IN RE: MARCELLUS SHALE LITIGATION
WELL PAD CASES**

CIVIL ACTION NO. 14-C-3000

THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO:

**CENTRAL STATION TRIAL GROUP
(Doddridge County)**

Kevin Bumgardner, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-199 KAN
Daniel W. Eakle v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-186 KAN
Howard J. Eakle, Sr., et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-172 KAN
Howard J. Eakle, Jr., et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-273 KAN
Frederick Eakles, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-261 KAN
Joshua A. Ferguson, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-234 KAN
Thomas D. Gogan, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-276 KAN
Cullis E. Hartman, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-193 KAN
Emma J. Lipscomb v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-185 KAN

Tresa M. Longe, et al v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-278 KAN
Richard M. Myer v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-203 KAN
Barbara J. Paugh v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-192 KAN
James D. Paugh, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-241 KAN
Matthew L. Paugh v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-191 KAN
Tiffany B.J. Paugh v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-188 KAN
Clifford L. Thomas v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-190 KAN
Jason Walton, et al. v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.	Civil Action No. 15-C-198 KAN

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER

FACT DISCOVERY

FACT WITNESS DISCLOSURE DEADLINE: March 12, 2021

FACT DISCOVERY COMPLETION DEADLINE: September 10, 2021.

All responses and objections to discovery shall be completed and all motions to compel discovery shall be filed by the fact discovery completion deadline. The fact discovery completion deadline established in this scheduling order does not excuse failure to comply with the provisions of Rule 26(e) requiring supplementation of responses to discovery.

EXPERT DISCOVERY

Any party desiring to use an expert witness shall furnish opposing counsel with the specialty of such expert and copies of all reports submitted by such witness, or, if no reports have been submitted, a summary of the substance of such expert's contemplated testimony, in accordance with WVRCP 26(b)(4). If the name, reports or 26(b)(4) material are not timely provided, a motion to continue, motion to exclude, or other sanction motion on this basis will not be considered unless opposing counsel has filed such motion prior to the pretrial conference.

PLAINTIFFS' EXPERT WITNESS REPORTS ARE DUE: September 10, 2021

DEFENDANTS' EXPERT WITNESS REPORTS ARE DUE: November 12, 2021

EXPERT DISCOVERY COMPLETION DEADLINE: January 7, 2022

ALL DISCOVERY IS CLOSED: January 7, 2022

MEDIATION: Mediation will be conducted in **mid- to late January 2022**. A separate Order scheduling mediation will be entered by the Resolution Judges.

DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS

DEADLINE FOR DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS: January 28, 2022

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSES TO DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS: February 11, 2022

DEADLINE FOR REPLIES TO DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS: February 18, 2022

If a discovery deposition is scheduled within 30 days of the close of discovery, counsel shall request an expedited copy of the transcript of such deposition. The Court will not permit supplementation of dispositive motions or responses to dispositive motions with deposition testimony received after the briefing deadlines set forth above.

MOTIONS IN LIMINE

Pursuant to West Virginia Rule of Evidence 103(c), all motions in limine should be determined prior to trial, where practicable. The Presiding Judges will not consider motions in limine on the day of trial without good cause shown.

DEADLINE FOR FILING MOTIONS IN LIMINE: January 28, 2022

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSES TO MOTIONS IN LIMINE: February 11, 2022

DEADLINE FOR REPLIES TO MOTIONS IN LIMINE: February 18, 2022

HEARING ON DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS AND MOTIONS IN LIMINE: during the pretrial conference at **10:00 a.m. on March 4, 2022.**

JOINT PROPOSED VOIR DIRE, JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTIONS, AND

JOINT PROPOSED VERDICT FORM: The Parties shall electronically file and serve their joint proposed voir dire, joint proposed jury instructions, and joint proposed verdict form in **Rich Text Format** on the Presiding Judges and the Mass Litigation Manager **on February 4, 2022.**

EXHIBITS, WITNESS LISTS, AND DEPOSITION DESIGNATIONS EXCHANGED:
February 4, 2022

Parties shall exchange full and complete copies of all exhibits intended to be introduced into evidence at trial and all deposition designations. All exhibits shall be pre-marked. Witness lists shall be bona fide lists of intended trial witnesses and any recently discovered fact or condition witnesses. Names of witnesses shall be specified and shall include contact information for each witness and a statement of intended testimony. Unnamed/unlisted witness reservations are not authorized.

OBJECTIONS TO EXHIBITS, WITNESSES AND DEPOSITION DESIGNATIONS

EXCHANGED: February 11, 2022

All parties shall meet and confer **no later than February 18, 2022**, to resolve objections to witnesses, exhibits and deposition designations.

PRETRIAL CONFERENCE MEMORANDA:

All parties shall exchange their pretrial conference memoranda, and deliver their pretrial conference memoranda to the Presiding Judges and the Mass Litigation Manager **on February 25, 2022**. The pretrial conference memoranda shall contain the following:

- a. Statement of the Case
- b. Issues of Fact
- c. Issues of Law
- d. Proposed Stipulations
- e. Specific Schedule of Exhibits (NO reservations authorized)
- f. Specific List of Witnesses (NO reservations authorized)
- g. List of Pending Motions, including Dispositive Motions and Motions *in Limine*
- h. Unresolved Objections to Witnesses, Exhibits and Deposition Designations.

PRETRIAL CONFERENCE: 10:00 a.m. on March 4, 2022.

TRIAL: 9:00 a.m. on March 14, 2022. The Court has allotted two weeks for the trial of this group of cases.

MODIFICATION: The dates and requirements of this Case Management Order are **FINAL**. No additional evidence developed as a result of deviations from this Case Management Order will be admissible at trial. This Case Management Order shall not be modified, except by leave of the Court.

SANCTIONS: In accordance with WVRCP 16(f), the Court will impose the full spectrum of sanctions authorized by the WVRCP if a party or party's counsel fails to obey this order or other orders of this Court.

A copy of this Order has this day been electronically served on all counsel of record via File & Serve*Xpress*.

It is to **ORDERED**.

ENTER: June 10, 2020.

/s/ Jack Alsop
Lead Presiding Judge
Marcellus Shale Litigation
Well Pad Cases