



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: WATER CONTAMINATION LITIGATION CIVIL ACTION NO. 16-C-6000

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**ORDER MEMORIALIZING RULINGS DURING
MARCH 18, 2016 STATUS CONFERENCE**

On March 18, 2016, the Presiding and Resolution Judges assigned to the Water Contamination Litigation held a Status Conference and made the following rulings:

Waiver of E-filing and Service Requirements for *Pro Se* Plaintiffs

The motions of *pro se* Plaintiffs Richard Gravely and Janet L. Thompson to waive their electronic filing and service requirements are **GRANTED** for good cause shown. *Pro se* Plaintiffs Gravely and Thompson shall file their documents in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Kanawha County, West Virginia. The circuit clerk's office shall upload their filed documents to be made available within the electronic filing system.

Liaison Counsel, Plaintiffs' Steering Committee and Lead Counsel for Plaintiffs

Attorney Anthony J. Majestro is assigned to serve as Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel. Attorney Thomas J. Hurney, Jr. is assigned to serve as Defendants' Liaison Counsel. The following attorneys are assigned to serve on the Plaintiff Steering Committee:

Anthony J. Majestro
Marvin Masters
John E. Sutter
Benjamin L. Bailey
Sean P. McGinley

The Court **ORDERS** the Plaintiff Steering Committee to meet and confer with all Plaintiffs' counsel and to submit to the Court the name of the attorney they select to be assigned to serve as Plaintiffs' Lead Counsel in this litigation **within 10 days of the date of the entry of this order.**

Consolidated Amended Complaint and Answer

No later than April 18, 2016, Plaintiffs are **ORDERED** to electronically file and serve a Consolidated Amended Complaint in the Master Case File. No later than May 18, 2016, Defendants are **ORDERED** to electronically file and serve their Answer to the Consolidated Amended Complaint in the Master Case File. All answers to complaints and motions to dismiss are hereby **STAYED** until the Consolidated Amended Complaint is filed.

Mediation of all Water Contamination Cases

No later than April 18, 2016, the parties shall notify the Court in writing whether they agree to mediation of all state and federal water contamination cases, including but not limited to *Good, et al. v. American Water Works Company, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 2:14-01374, pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, by Lead Resolution Judge Booker T. Stephens, with the assistance of Resolution Judge James P. Mazzone and Resolution Judge David W. Hummel, Jr.

Plaintiff Fact Sheets

Counsel for all parties shall meet, confer and prepare an agreed upon Plaintiff Fact Sheet, which shall be submitted to the Court for review and approval **no later than April 29, 2016**. All Plaintiff Fact Sheets shall be completed **no later than 30 days after the Court has approved the proposed Plaintiff Fact Sheet**.

It is to **ORDERED**.

ENTER: March 28, 2016

/s/ Alan D. Moats
Lead Presiding Judge
Water Contamination Litigation