

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

V.

ABC VIATICALS, INC.,
C. KEITH LAMONDA,
and JESSE W. LAMONDA, JR.,

Defendants,

and

LAMONDA MANAGEMENT FAMILY
 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP,
 STRUCTURED LIFE SETTLEMENTS, INC.,
 BLUE WATER TRUST,
 and DESTINY TRUST,

Relief Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 3:06-CV-2136-P

**ORDER REQUIRING ATTORNEY CONFERENCE
AND JOINT PROPOSAL FOR DISCOVERY AND HEARING DATE**

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b) (as amended effective December 1, 2000) and the Court's Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan, the Court enters this order to promote possible early settlement of these actions and to facilitate subsequent entry of a Discovery and Hearing Order.

I.

Lead counsel for each party (or a designee attorney with appropriate authority) shall personally meet at a mutually agreeable location at least 14 days before the date specified in VII of this order. Counsel shall determine in good faith whether this case can be settled before additional expenses are incurred. Counsel shall also submit a Joint Proposal for Discovery and Hearing Date. The Proposal shall include a status report setting out the progress made at the

meeting and the present status of settlement negotiations. The parties shall also advise the Court regarding the advisability of referring the cases for mediation.

II.

If the case does not settle, counsel shall submit a Proposal that contains the following:

- 1) Proposed time limits to file various types of motions;
- 2) A proposed plan and schedule for discovery, including a time limit to complete discovery;
- 3) A proposal for limitations, if any, to be placed upon discovery;
- 4) A proposed time limit to designate expert witnesses;
- 5) A proposed hearing date on the Motion to Show Cause;
- 6) A proposed date for commencing settlement negotiations;
- 7) Whether the parties are considering mediation or arbitration to resolve this litigation and, if not, why not. (NOTE: The Court encourages the early use of mediation or arbitration.); and
- 8) Any other matters relevant to the status and disposition of this.

III.

Lead counsel for plaintiff is responsible for initiating contact with opposing counsel for the purpose of preparing the Proposal, but lead counsel for all parties are equally responsible for seeing that this order is complied with in a timely manner. At least one counsel for each party shall sign the Proposal prior to filing.

IV.

If counsel cannot agree on a particular recommendation, the Proposal shall set forth each party's respective recommendation and shall state why agreement could not be reached.

V.


Unless a scheduling conference is set by the Court or requested by a party, the Discovery and Hearing Order will be issued following the Court's review of the Proposal. **Once the Scheduling Order has been issued, requests for extensions of these deadlines will be viewed with disfavor and will be denied, absent a showing of good cause.**

VI.

The Court enlarges the 10-day report deadline of Rule 26(f) so that the Proposal shall be filed on or before **September 28, 2007**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 29th day of August 2007.



JORGE A. SOLIS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE