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SUPERIOR COURT

GOMES, JOHN
V.
CLEMONS, JR, CHARLES, TOWN CLERK
Et Al

JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF FAIRFIELD
AT BRIDGEPORT

9/25/2023

ORDER

All Counsel Present.

The following order is entered in the above matter:

ORDER:

Pursuant to Order 103.00 the parties appeared before the court on 9-25-2023.

At the time the court discussed the compliance with Order #111.00. Based on the responses of the parties on the record, the court is satisfied that the appearing parties are working collaboratively to respond to outstanding discovery requests for documentary and video information. While voluminous, it appears that copies of the requested documents and video will be made and shared with all parties over approximately the next three (3) days which will allow for all parties to review the requested information and to prepare for the evidentiary portion of this hearing.

The court also discussed a motion to quash filed by the City of Bridgeport, #115.00, as well as other requests by the defendants Howard and Clemons for documents from the plaintiff and the State Election Enforcement Commission of any complaints filed with the SEEC related to the issues that are the subject of this hearing.

Considering all of the above issues and the need to proceed efficiently to the evidentiary portion of this case, the court now enters the following ORDER:

1. The parties shall continue to collaborate in good faith with respect to outstanding discovery and to complete the exchange of information discussed on the record as soon as practicable. Such exchange shall continue to be a rolling exchange as appropriate.
2. The plaintiff shall have until 9-27-2023 to file a response to the City of Bridgeport's Motion to Quash, #115.00. The court will take up argument on such motion or rule on the papers in its discretion.
3. To the extent that defendants Howard and/or Clemons seek copies of SEEC complaints filed that are relevant to this hearing, they shall make a request directly to the relevant parties for such information as necessary and the parties shall work in good faith to respond to that request and share any and all responsive complaint information with all parties as soon as practicable after receiving such specific request.
4. The parties shall appear on 10-2-2023, at 2:00 p.m., in person, for a follow up off-the-record scheduling conference with the court. At that time the parties will provide to the court an update on the good faith compliance with information requests. The parties shall also be prepared to discuss a schedule for evidence presentation in this matter. Assuming the efficient exchange on information and preparation of the parties the court expects to schedule evidence to begin during the week of October 6, 2023, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and to continue daily until complete, subject to logistical adjustments as necessary and as approved by the court.

Judicial Notice Sent To All Appearing Parties.

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Judge: WILLIAM F CLARK

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