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IN THE 418th DISTRICT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER REGARDING FINAL TRIAL SETTINGS AND MEDIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS IN THE 418th DISTRICT COURT

If all parties have entered into, and filed, a binding mediated settlement agreement with the Montgomery County District Clerk's office prior to the Docket Call-Pretrial Conference **AND** have notified the Court of such filing requesting that no attorneys or party need appear for the Docket Call-Pretrial Conference, then no appearance at the Docket Call-Pretrial Conference is necessary. However, under such circumstances, whoever makes such request to the Court is ORDERED to notify all other attorneys and/or parties of such request, along with the terms of this Order. Under such circumstance, the case will remain set on the Final Trial date for entry of a final decree/order based upon the binding mediated settlement agreement. **NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISMISS:** If, for any reason, a final decree/order is not approved by the Court on the Final Trial date, the case may be **DISMISSED**.

If any party is requesting additional time (beyond the Final Trial date) to enter an agreed final decree/order pursuant to a binding mediated settlement agreement, then an appearance at the Docket Call-Pretrial Conference is mandatory unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

If the parties file a binding mediated settlement agreement before the Docket Call-Pretrial Conference and fail to appear for the Docket Call-Pretrial, the case will be **DISMISSED**.

If a binding mediated settlement agreement is filed between the Docket Call-Pretrial Conference and the Final Trial date, an appearance at the Final Trial is still mandatory unless otherwise ordered by the Court. Under such circumstance, should the parties fail to appear for the Final Trial date, the case will be **DISMISSED**.

THIS ORDER REGARDING FINAL TRIAL SETTINGS AND MEDIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS IN THE 418th DISTRICT COURT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JANUARY 1, 2024

[Signature]

HON. TRACY A. GILBERT
418th Judicial District Court