Court of Appeals, State of Michigan

ORDER

Leon L Smith v Patsy Buerkel

Docket No. 349876; 350274

LC No. **2017-156875-NI**

Christopher M. Murray, Chief Judge, acting under MCR 7.213(A)(1)(a), orders:

This case is submitted to the Court's mediation program. Briefing and other required filing deadlines in this appeal are not stayed by this order.

Within 7 days of this order, counsel for appellant shall contact counsel for appellee and counsel shall diligently attempt to agree on a mediator. Within 14 days of this order, counsel for appellant shall file with the clerk notice of the name, address, email address, and phone number of the mediator selected by the parties to handle mediation in this matter, or written notice that the parties were unable to agree on a mediator. The mediator's fees shall be divided and borne equally by the parties, unless otherwise agreed, and paid directly to the mediator.

Within 91 days of this order, the mediator shall file a notice with the Court stating only the date of completion of the mediation, who participated in the mediation, whether settlement was reached, and whether any further mediation is warranted. If mediation results in the full or partial settlement of the appeal, within 21 days of the filing of the mediator's notice, the parties shall file a stipulation to dismiss pursuant to MCR 7.218(B).

Failure to comply with the provisions of this order may result in the assessment of costs, including attorney fees, or may result in dismissal of the appeal.

A true copy entered and certified by Jerome W. Zimmer Jr., Chief Clerk, on

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Date

Thomas Je. Chief Clerk