

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF _____)
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) Plaintiff,)
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) vs.)
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) Defendant.)

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

**CONSENT ORDER:
FAST TRACK JURY TRIAL AND
APPOINTMENT OF
SPECIAL HEARING OFFICER**

Docket No. _____

The parties consent to the following:

1. Refer the above-captioned case to the Fast Track jury trial process.
2. Abide by the "Rules and Procedures for the Fast Track Jury Trial Process," outlined in the Chief Justice's Administrative Order, Case. No. 2013-000389 (March 7, 2013), subject to any additional written stipulations attached to this Order.
3. Select _____ to serve as the Special Hearing Officer in this Fast Track jury trial proceeding. He/She is a member in good standing of the South Carolina Bar and has completed the trial requirements of Rule 403, SCACR governing the practice of law.
4. Other:

Attach a copy of any additional stipulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. _____ County Clerk of Court shall make available a courtroom facility and not more than ten (10) jurors from the jury venire for that week so that the parties may select a jury of six (6) to hear the above-captioned case.
2. The "Rules and Procedures for the Fast Track Jury Trial Process," outlined in the Chief Justice's Administrative Order, Case. No. 2013-000389 (March 7, 2013), shall be used at the Fast Track jury trial, subject to any additional written stipulations attached to this Order.
3. The parties are entitled to use the subpoena power authorized by the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure to compel attendance of witnesses, if necessary, at the Fast Track jury trial.
4. _____ is to serve as a Special Hearing Officer for the purpose of the binding Fast Track jury trial, and he/she shall have the authority to rule on all matters with regard to procedures and evidence as if he/she were sitting as a Circuit Court Judge, subject to any written stipulations attached to this Order.
5. The Special Hearing Officer does not have direct contempt power. If the Special Hearing Officer reports to the Circuit Court Chief Administrative Judge a finding of contemptuous conduct, then the parties are subject to the contempt power of a Circuit Court Judge and may have to attend a contempt hearing.

Date: _____, 20____
_____, S.C.

Circuit Court Chief Administrative Judge

WE CONSENT:

