UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,	
v.	Case No. 8:20-cv-325-T-35AEI
BRIAN DAVISON, et al.,	
Defendants.	/

ORDER SCHEDULING SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

This matter has been referred to the undersigned to conduct a settlement conference (Doc. 202). Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED:

- Conduct of Settlement Conference: The settlement conference shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter Nine of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida.¹
- 2. <u>Scheduling Settlement Conference</u>: The settlement conference will commence on **November 13, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.** The parties will receive an email with the Zoom information for joining the settlement conference.
- 3. General Rules Governing the Settlement Conference: Although the process is defined in greater detail in Chapter Nine of the Local Rules, the following additional guidelines are imposed upon the settlement conference process:

¹ A copy of the Local Rules for the Middle District of Florida may be found on the Court's website at www.flmd.uscourts.gov.

- a. <u>Case Summaries</u>: By November 6, 2020, each party shall mail (Sam M. Gibbons United States Courthouse, 801 North Florida Avenue, Suite 10A, Tampa, FL 33602) or e-mail (Chambers_FLMD_Porcelli@flmd.uscourts.gov) a brief written summary of the facts and issues, including damages, of the case. These summaries are confidential and will not be incorporated into the public records of this case.
- b. Settlement Conference Process: To begin the settlement conference, the Court will conduct an initial joint conference with the parties, and each party, if so desired, may make opening remarks about the case. The Court will then proceed to private caucuses with counsel and the individual parties. The Court will conduct as many joint conferences and private caucuses as deemed necessary in order to stimulate negotiations and keep order.
- c. <u>Identification of Corporate and/or Claims Representatives</u>: As part of the written case summaries, counsel for corporate parties and claims professionals shall state the name and general job description of the employee or agent of the corporation who will attend and participate on behalf of the corporate party.
- d. <u>Authority to Declare Impasse</u>: Although the average settlement conference usually takes between 3-5 hours, participants shall be prepared to spend as much time as necessary to settle the case, or until an impasse is declared.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tampa, Florida, on this 5th day of October, 2020.

ANTHONY E. PORCELLI

United States Magistrate Judge

cc: Counsel of Record