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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re: THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF OAKLAND INSURANCE ADVERSARY PROCEEDING LITIGATION

Case Nos. 3:24-cv-00709-JSC
3:24-cv-00711-JSC

Bankruptcy Case No.: 23-40523 WJL
Adv. Proc. No.: 23-04028 WJL

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 1: INITIAL CASE PROCEEDINGS

This Order confirms the matters discussed at the April 18, 2024 case management conference.

1. Consolidation: The Court consolidates these two actions with the No. 24-709 case designated as the lead case. This coordination does not constitute a determination as to whether the actions should be consolidated for trial, nor does it have the effect of making any entity a party to any action in which the party has not been named, served, or added in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Debtor shall file a notice of related case in No. 24-1848. If related, it will automatically be consolidated with these actions. All future filings shall be captioned "In re: THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF OAKLAND INSURANCE ADVERSARY PROCEEDING LITIGATION" and filed in the No. 24-709 action. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 42(a).

2. Stipulated Protective Order: By April 25, 2024, the parties shall file their stipulated protective order from the adversary proceeding for this Court's review.

3. Pending Motions to Dismiss: The Court will hear the pending motions to dismiss on June 27, 2024 at 10:00 am, in Courtroom 8, 450 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, California. The moving party shall file on ECF the motion to dismiss, the opposition, the reply, and any supporting documents. Each motion shall be docketed as

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would be Docket No. 10 with the opposition, reply, and supporting documents filed as attachments to Docket No. 10 (Dkt. Nos. 10-1, 10-2, 10-3). Each pleading shall be labeled to make it easy for the Court to identify the relevant documents. By April 30, 2024, the moving party shall also provide the Court with a chamber's copy binder of all the briefs in accordance with the Court's Standing Order.

4. Initial Disclosures: On or before April 25, 2024, the parties should meet and confer regarding the content and deadline for initial disclosures. Initial disclosures are not stayed.

5. Mediation: The Court refers this action to mediation before the mediators assigned in the underlying bankruptcy action (Judge Newcome, Mr. Gallegher, Hon. Christopher Sontchi (Ret.), and Jeffery Krivis) as discussed at the case management conference.

6. Further Case Management Conference: The Court sets a further case management conference for June 27, 2024 following the hearing on the motions to dismiss. An updated joint case management conference statement is due June 20, 2024.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 19, 2024



JACQUELINE SCOTT CORLEY
United States District Judge

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