

JAMES STEELE, et al,  
Plaintiffs,

v.

GTECH CORPORATION,  
Defendant.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT

TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

201st JUDICIAL DISTRICT

**DOCKET CONTROL ORDER**

Pursuant to the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Local Rules, and the Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order, the Court makes the following Order and sets the following dates. The trial in this matter will begin on April 25, 2022. Further, the below Docket Control Order will not be shortened without leave of Court.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the following schedule of deadlines is in effect until further order of this Court:

<p><b>April 25, 2022</b></p>	<p><b>FIRST BELLWETHER JURY TRIAL before Judge Amy Clark Meachum</b></p> <p>For planning purposes, commences after Pretrial Hearing</p>
<p><b>April 25, 2022</b>  *first morning of trial</p>	<p><b>PRETRIAL HEARING</b></p> <p><b>Parties submit charge in Word format, noting provisions of the Pattern Jury Charges that apply to each instruction and question, if any.</b></p> <p>Furnish two hard copies of active trial pleadings, exhibits lists, witness lists, motions in <i>limine</i>, and proposed orders on the motions in <i>limine</i></p>
<p><b>April 18, 2022</b></p>	<p><b>Parties meet and confer to resolve objections to deposition designations and exhibits, disputed motions in limine, and disputed language in proposed jury charge</b></p> <p>[Note: Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order ¶ 6]</p>
<p><b>April 11, 2022</b></p>	<p><b>Submit written statement of page and line references to cross-designations on which evidentiary rulings are sought</b></p> <p>[Note: Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order ¶ 5]</p>
<p><b>April 4, 2022</b></p>	<p><b>Exchange cross-designations of deposition designations and written statement of all page and line references to designations on which evidentiary rulings are sought</b></p>

	<p><b>File and serve on other party Proposed Jury Charge, including questions, definitions, and instructions (including citations to the Texas Pattern Jury Charge and other authority)</b></p> <p>[Note: Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order ¶ 4]</p>
<b>April 15, 2022</b>	<p><b>File Motions <i>in Limine</i></b>  <b>Parties will not include matters in the Travis County Standing Order in <i>Limine</i>.</b></p> <p>[Note: Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order ¶ 3]</p>
<b>March 28, 2022</b>	<p><b>Exchange Pretrial Disclosures:</b> Witness Lists (fact and expert witnesses) (including rebuttal witnesses), Deposition Designations, and Exhibit Lists</p> <p>[Note: Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order ¶ 2]</p>
<b>April 18, 2022</b>	<p><b>All Hearings on Pretrial Matters to be completed.</b></p>
<b>March 11, 2022</b>	<p><b>File <i>Daubert</i> motions</b></p> <p>Deadline to object to all or part of an opposing expert’s testimony by filing and serving a motion to strike or limit expert testimony.</p> <p>[Note: Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order ¶ 1]</p>
<b>March 3, 2022</b>	<p><b>File Responses to Dispositive Motions</b></p>
<b>February 3, 2022</b>	<p><b>File Dispositive Motions</b></p>
<b>January 3, 2022</b>	<p><b>Parties Designate Rebuttal Expert Witnesses</b></p> <p>(Deadline for party without the burden of proof on an issue shall disclose all the materials and information required under Tex. R. Civ. P. 194.2(f) and serve a report fully disclosing the substance of and basis for the expert’s opinions, <i>see</i> Tex. R. Civ. P. 195.5.)</p> <p>If, without agreement, a party serves a supplemental expert report after the rebuttal expert report deadline has passed, the serving party must file notice with the Court stating service has occurred and the reason why a supplemental report is necessary under the circumstances.</p>
<b>March 17, 2022</b>	<p><b>Mediation to be Completed.</b></p>
<b>November 16, 2021</b>	<p><b>Deadline to Exchange Privilege Logs.</b></p>

<b>November 12, 2021</b>	<b>Deadline for Parties to Designate their Two Plaintiffs/Intervenors for First Bellwether Trial (for a total of four plaintiffs/intervenors)</b>
<b>January 28, 2022</b>	<b>Deadline to Complete Expert Discovery.</b>  Counsel are expected to make good faith efforts to produce all required documents as soon as they are available and not wait until the substantial completion deadline.
<b>December 22, 2021</b>	<b>Parties with Burden of Proof Designate Expert Witnesses.</b>  (Disclose all material and information required under Tex. R. Civ. P. 194.2(f) and serve a report fully disclosing the substance of and basis for the expert's opinions, <i>see</i> Tex. R. Civ. P. 195.5.)
<b>January 14, 2022</b>	<b>Deadline to Complete Fact Discovery.</b>  Counsel are expected to make good faith efforts to produce all required documents as soon as they are available and not wait until the substantial completion deadline.
<b>January 3, 2022</b>	<b>File Notice of Mediator</b>  The parties shall notify the court, via email, of the time/name of the mediator once that information has been decided upon.
<b>3 days</b>	<b>EXPECTED LENGTH OF TRIAL</b>

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that Deadlines contained in this Order can be modified by written consent of all the parties or by Order of the Court, except that none of the deadlines in the Travis County District Courts' Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order shall be shortened without leave of Court, even if the parties agree.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

SIGNED this 11th day of October, 2021.

  
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 JUDGE PRESIDING  
 AMY CLARK MEACHUM

**CERTIFICATION**

Counsel for Plaintiffs and Defendants certify that none of the proposed deadlines are shorter than those in the Court's Standing Order and that none of the deadlines in the Standing Pretrial Scheduling Order will be shortened without leave of Court, even if the parties agree.

Dated:           October 8, 2021

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