



IN THE MATTER OF:
ANITA KELLY
Circuit Judge, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit

ORDER

On October 19, 2017, this Court held a status conference with counsel for the Judicial Inquiry Commission ("the Commission") and counsel for Judge Anita Kelly. Among other things, the Court heard statements and arguments from counsel regarding:

- the parties' discovery progress;
- Judge Kelly's motion to dismiss;
- whether the documents attached as exhibits to Judge Kelly's motion to dismiss and filed under seal should remain under seal;
- whether the time-standard provisions relevant to the allegations made by the Commission in its complaint in this matter are directory or mandatory; and
- various pretrial matters.

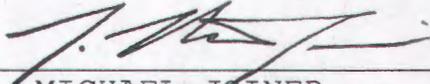
After considering the parties' filings and arguments, it is hereby **ORDERED** as follows:

1. Judge Kelly's motion to dismiss is **DENIED**.
2. The documents submitted under seal with Judge Kelly's motion to dismiss were submitted for the

limited purpose of contesting jurisdiction and shall, over the Commission's objection, **remain under seal** pending further order of this Court.

3. For the limited purpose of this proceeding in the Court of the Judiciary, the time-standard provisions relevant to the allegations made by the Commission in its complaint in this matter are **directory**, not mandatory.
4. This matter is set for a trial **on January 8, 2018, beginning at 9 a.m.** in the Supreme Court Courtroom, 300 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama, and continuing until the trial is complete.
5. The parties are to complete all requests for discovery on or before **November 20, 2017**. Any objection to a discovery request must be made on or before **December 4, 2017**.
6. On or before **December 18, 2017**, the Commission and Judge Kelly are to provide to each other and to the Court a list designating all exhibits and evidence that each respective party plans to introduce at the trial set for January 8, 2018, as well as any witnesses the parties may call to testify; if a copy of any exhibit has not yet been provided to the other party and to the Court, a copy of such exhibit is to be provided to the other party and the Court on or before December 18, 2017.
7. This matter is set for a final pretrial hearing on **December 14, 2017, at 2:00 p.m.** in the conference room of the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals, 300 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama.

ORDERED this 25th day of October, 2017.



J. MICHAEL JOINER
CHIEF JUDGE
COURT OF THE JUDICIARY