

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

TIARA YACHTS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD
OF MICHIGAN,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:22-cv-603

Hon. Robert J. Jonker

ORDER

The parties appeared on two sets of dueling motions: the first set, defendant's Motion for Protective Order (ECF No. 82) and plaintiff's opposing Motion to Compel Discovery (ECF No. 86), the second, defendant's Emergency Motion for Protective Order Regarding Plaintiff's Premature Deposition Notices (ECF No. 89) and plaintiff's opposing Motion to Compel Depositions (ECF No. 91). For the reasons set forth on the record, the Court rules as follows:

The Court **DENIES** plaintiff's Motion to Compel Discovery (ECF No. 86) and strikes plaintiff's sixty-three requests for production of documents as excessive and in violation of Fed. R. Civ. P. 1 and 26. The parties are hereby limited to thirty requests for production of documents each.

At the hearing, the Court ordered plaintiff to pick thirty of its existing sixty-three requests for production of documents as its operative requests. However, upon further reflection, fairness dictates that plaintiff be allowed to reformulate its original document requests if it so

chooses. Thus, plaintiff will draft and serve its new document requests **within fourteen days of this order**.

If there are objections to plaintiff's interrogatories or its new document requests, the parties will meet and confer **in person** on a mutually agreeable date and time in an attempt to resolve any objections. If objections remain, plaintiff may file a motion and a hearing will be set to address the remaining issues. In light of this ruling, defendant's Motion for Protective Order (ECF No. 82) is **DENIED** as moot.

The Court also addressed plaintiff's Motion to Compel Depositions (ECF No. 91) and defendant's Emergency Motion for Protective Order (ECF No. 89) and for the reasons stated on the record, **GRANTED** plaintiff's motion and **DENIED** defendant's motion. The parties will agree on a date and time for the depositions of Kimberly Jones-Schneider and Jeff Baker. The depositions shall be completed by November 26, 2025. The Court reminded the parties that pursuant to the Case Management Order, each party is limited to a total of ten depositions.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 9, 2025

/s/ Ray Kent
RAY KENT
United States Magistrate Judge