## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

REESE BRANTMEIER and MAYA JOINT, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

1:24-CV-238

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION,

Defendant.

## ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION TO AMEND SCHEDULE

This matter is before the Court on the Parties' Joint Motion to Amend Schedule, Doc. 98. The Court, finding that good cause exists to modify the existing schedule, adopts the schedule proposed by the parties in its motion, with minor changes in the Court's discretion.

Ordinarily the Court would not extend the deadlines for as long as the parties request, which seem to provide way more time than necessary. However, given the judicial vacancy in this district and the resulting increase in civil and criminal case assignments combined with the priority required for resolving criminal cases, the Court will largely go along.

Accordingly, the Court **MODIFIES** the schedule as set forth below:

Event	Deadline <sup>1</sup>
Mediation	October 10, 2025
Merits Expert Report Disclosures and, using dates previously held open, provision of deposition dates for disclosed Merits Experts between December 15 and December 23, 2025, by Party with Burden of Proof	November 24, 2025
Merits Expert Response Disclosures and, using dates previously held open, provision of deposition dates between February 13, 2026 and February 20, 2026.	January 23, 2026
Merits Expert Rebuttal Disclosures. <sup>2</sup>	March 2, 2026
Expert Discovery Deadline	March 23, 2026
Parties Exchange Proposed Verdict Sheets and Jury Instructions to be prepared assuming all dispositive motions are denied, followed by Meet and Confer. <sup>3</sup>	December 9, 2025
Joint Submission on Proposed Verdict Sheets and Jury Instructions.	January 23, 2026
Dispositive Motions <sup>4</sup>	April 1, 2026

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parties may by mutual agreement extend deadlines that do not involve court filings or mediation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Any rebuttal expert reports must actually be rebuttal evidence. See Doc. 65 at 10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Court will provide further guidance on the format of these proposed instructions, which are required at this point only for the elements of each claim and affirmative defense. It is helpful to the Court to have briefing on summary judgment motions framed in terms of the issues and the elements of a claim.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> As the Court previously stated in Doc. 65, the parties may not file multiple summary judgment motions addressed to different issues. One motion per side is permitted, supported by one brief with the usual word limits established by Local Rules.

Response to Dispositive Motions  Daubert Motions, if any <sup>5</sup>	May 1, 2026
Replies to any Dispositive Motions Response to any <i>Daubert</i> Motions	May 22, 2026
Replies to any Daubert Motions	June 5, 2026
Hearing on Dispositive Motions	TBD <sup>6</sup>
Pretrial Disclosures	Pretrial Disclosures Begin 7 days from Order on Dispositive Motions, and continue on schedule to be determined
Trial	Summer or early Fall 2026 <sup>7</sup>

**SO ORDERED**, this the 4th day of August, 2025.

CHIEF/SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As the Court previously stated in Doc. 65, the parties may not file multiple *Daubert* motions addressed to different witnesses or issues. One motion, supported by one brief with the usual word limits, is permitted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Merits *Daubert* motions shall be heard, if possible, on the same date as Dispositive Motions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The deadline for the parties to file a Joint Submission on Class Notice and Trial remains August 18, 2025. *See* Doc. 99.