

No. 141, Original

**In the
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

STATE OF TEXAS,

Plaintiff,

v.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO and
STATE OF COLORADO,**

Defendants.

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL MASTER

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 16

March 27, 2018

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For the purposes of the proceedings before the Special Master, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Telephone Status Conference on March 23, 2018

A Status Conference was conducted by telephone on Friday, March 23, 2018. The transcript of the conference has been posted in the record herein, as RD 68. In view of the agreements among the parties reported to the Special Master in that conference,

IT IS ORDERED:

- a. That Texas shall file its complaint and that the United States shall file its complaint in intervention of record herein not later than March 23, 2018, whereupon these pleadings will be treated as complaints for the purposes of Supreme Court Rule 17.2 and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 8-11;
- b. That New Mexico and Colorado shall file answers thereto, together with any counterclaims, within sixty (60) days of the date of the telephone status conference, that is, on or before May 22, 2018.
- c. That responses to any counterclaims shall be filed within sixty (60) days thereafter, that is, on or before July 23, 2018.
- d. That the parties will meet and confer to confect a draft case management plan, which plan is to be submitted to the Special Master on or before April 13, 2018.
- e. That, should the parties fail to reach an agreement as to a comprehensive case management plan, they will submit to the Special Master, on or before April 13, 2018, such portions of the plan as to which they do agree. For those portions as to which they do not agree, on or before April 13, 2018, each party may submit a letter brief not to exceed three single spaced pages to the Special Master explaining its position as to the disputed portion(s).

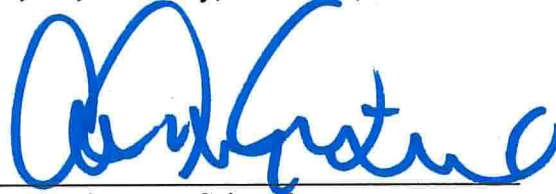
2. Telephone Status Conference on April 23, 2018

A Status Conference will be conducted by telephone on April 23, 2018, at 3:00 p.m., Central Time. Parties may participate in the conference by dialing 866-813-9720 and entering access code 3607283.

3. Requests for Modification or Supplementation

Any requests for modification or supplementation of this Case Management Order should be received by the Special Master before 5:00 p.m., CT, on Friday, March 30, 2018.

Dated: March 27, 2018.



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