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Case Name: Blanchard et al v. City Of Memphis, Tennessee

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Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jon Phipps McCalla: Pre-Hearing Conference held via Skype video conferencing on 6/10/2020. Independent Monitor Edward Stanton, III appeared with members of Monitor's Team: Jim Letten (Deputy Monitor), Will Perry (Team Counsel), Rachel Levinson-Waldman (Social Media Policy Expert), and John Henegan (First Amendment expert). Thomas Castell, Amanda Floyd, and Stella Yarbrough appeared for ACLU. Mark Glover, Bruce McMullen, Jennie Silk, and Mary Wu Tullis appeared for the City of Memphis. Jennifer Sink, City of Memphis Attorney, also present. The Court summarized prior proceedings leading to the Modification Hearing set for Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 9:30 AM by means of Skype video conferencing. Court reminded parties that the burden of proof to support City's motion for modification of consent degree rests with the City. Modification Hearing organization and procedures were discussed. Parties will submit in advance duplicate copies of documents to be used in the hearing. Monitor's materials will be submitted by midnight of 6/15/2020. ACLU and City of Memphis will submit materials by noon on Tuesday. Proposed exhibits will be filed in advance via the ECF system. Proposed witness list and order will be submitted by end of day June 15, 2020. Out of sequence adjustment may be necessary. Court deemed chat disablement unnecessary at the present time. Mr. Stanton updated the court as to the status of community groups in light of the corona virus pandemic. The Modification Hearing remains set for Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 9:30 AM. The Skype video conference hearing is estimated to last 2-3 days. (Court Reporter: Traci Walker) (jrs)