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**United States District Court  
District of Puerto Rico (San Juan)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:05-cv-01267-HL**

Colon-Ortiz v. International Ethical Laboratories,  
Inc.  
Assigned to: Judge Hector M Laffitte  
Cause: Right to re-employment of inducted persons

Date Filed: 03/09/2005  
Jury Demand: Plaintiff  
Nature of Suit: 442 Civil Rights:  
Jobs  
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/09/2005	<a href="#">1</a>	COMPLAINT against International Ethical Laboratories, Inc., filed by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Civil Cover Sheet # <a href="#">2</a> Category Sheet)(Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 03/10/2005)
03/09/2005	2	Summons Issued as to International Ethical Laboratories, Inc.Service due by 7/7/2005. (cm, ) (Entered: 03/11/2005)
05/16/2005	<a href="#">3</a>	ANSWER to Complaint filed by Kayra D. Montanez-Laboy on behalf of Defendant International Ethical Laboratories, Inc..(Montanez-Laboy, Kayra) (Entered: 05/16/2005)
05/27/2005	<a href="#">4</a>	<b>**FILED IN ERROR, SEE <a href="#">5</a> FOR CORRECT ENTRY**SCHEDULING ORDER/CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER: <b>Jury Trial set for 7/26/2005 09:00 AM before Judge Hector M Laffitte. Pretrial and Settlement Conference set for 7/6/2005 02:00 PM before Judge Hector M Laffitte. Discovery due by 1/3/2006. Dispositive Motions due by 1/17/2006.</b> . Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 5/27/2005. (jbg, ) Modified on 5/31/2005</b>

		(cm, ). (Entered: 05/27/2005)
05/27/2005	<a href="#">5</a>	AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER/CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER: <b>Jury Trial set for 7/26/2006 09:00 AM before Judge Hector M Laffitte. Pretrial and Settlement Conference set for 7/6/2006 02:00 PM before Judge Hector M Laffitte. Discovery due by 1/3/2006. Dispositive Motions due by 1/17/2006.</b> . Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 5/27/2006. (jbg, ) (Entered: 05/27/2005)
07/08/2005	<a href="#">6</a>	REPORT <i>Pursuant to Rule 26 Regarding Joint Discovery Conference</i> by all parties. (Lopez, Louis) (Entered: 07/08/2005)
10/19/2005	<a href="#">7</a>	MOTION to Compel <i>the Production of Primary Defense Witnesses for Deposition</i> filed by Louis Lopez on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz Suggestions in opposition/response due by 11/1/2005 (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibits to Motion to Compel)(Lopez, Louis) (Entered: 10/19/2005)
10/19/2005	<a href="#">8</a>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz re <a href="#">7</a> MOTION to Compel <i>the Production of Primary Defense Witnesses for Deposition</i> (Lopez, Louis) (Entered: 10/19/2005)
11/01/2005	<a href="#">9</a>	RESPONSE in Opposition to Motion to Compel filed by International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. Re: <a href="#">7</a> MOTION to Compel <i>the Production of Primary Defense Witnesses for Deposition</i> filed by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz, (Gonzalez-Nogueras, Jose) (Entered: 11/01/2005)
11/04/2005	10	ORDER denying <a href="#">7</a> Motion to Compel. DENIED. Plaintiff shall conduct the depositions of Sammy Diaz, Nelson Irizarry, and Rafael Santos during the days of availability identified by defendants: December 6, 7, and 9 of 2005. If plaintiff requires additional time to conduct discovery he shall timely petition the Court for an extension of the discovery deadline. See D.P.R. L.Civ.R. 6(a); Fed.R.Civ.P. 6(b). The parties are reminded that pursuant to the initial scheduling order, discovery shall be limited to no more than five (5) depositions per party. See docket no. 5, at p. 1, para. 3. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 11/4/2005. (jbg, ) (Entered: 11/04/2005)
12/14/2005	<a href="#">11</a>	Joint MOTION for extension of time until April 18, 2006 Extend Close of Discovery and May 19, 2006 for Deadline for Filing Dispositive Motions filed by Isabel Munoz-Acosta on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz Suggestions in opposition/response due by 12/27/2005 (Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 12/14/2005)

12/14/2005	<a href="#">12</a>	NOTICE of Appearance <i>and Substitution of Counsel</i> by Isabel Munoz-Acosta on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz (Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 12/14/2005)
12/19/2005	13	ORDER granting <a href="#">11</a> Joint Motion for extension of time. The parties are granted until 4/18/2006 to complete discovery and until 5/19/2006 to file dispositive motions. These are firm deadlines. All other dates and deadlines contained in the scheduling order remain in full force and effect. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 12/19/2006. (jbg, ) Modified on 12/28/2005 e-mailed to D.Embrey, M. Rios (np, ). (Entered: 12/19/2005)
02/10/2006	<a href="#">14</a>	NOTICE OF TAKING DEPOSITION by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> )(Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 02/10/2006)
02/10/2006	<a href="#">15</a>	NOTICE OF TAKING DEPOSITION by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> )(Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 02/10/2006)
02/10/2006	<a href="#">16</a>	NOTICE OF TAKING DEPOSITION by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> )(Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 02/10/2006)
02/10/2006	<a href="#">17</a>	NOTICE OF TAKING DEPOSITION by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> )(Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 02/10/2006)
02/28/2006	<a href="#">18</a>	NOTICE OF TAKING OF DEPOSITION by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> # <a href="#">2</a> # <a href="#">3</a> )(Munoz-Acosta, Isabel) (Entered: 02/28/2006)
03/01/2006	<a href="#">19</a>	Emergency MOTION to Quash <i>Subpoena</i> filed by Jose R. Gonzalez-Nogueras on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Gonzalez-Nogueras, Jose) (Entered: 03/01/2006)
03/07/2006	<a href="#">20</a>	MOTION to Withdraw Document re: <a href="#">19</a> Emergency MOTION to Quash <i>Subpoena</i> filed by International Ethical Laboratories, Inc., filed by Jose R. Gonzalez-Nogueras on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Related document(s) <a href="#">19</a> ) (Gonzalez-Nogueras, Jose) (Entered: 03/07/2006)
03/08/2006	21	ORDER withdrawing <a href="#">19</a> Motion to Quash, granting <a href="#">20</a> Motion to Withdraw Document. Accordingly, Motion to Quash (Dkt. 19) is hereby withdrawn. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 3/8/2006. (jbg, ) (Entered: 03/08/2006)

04/05/2006	<a href="#">22</a>	MOTION to Withdraw <i>as counsel</i> Attorney as to Kayra D. Montanez-Laboy filed by Kayra D. Montanez-Laboy on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Montanez-Laboy, Kayra) (Entered: 04/05/2006)
04/11/2006	<a href="#">23</a>	MOTION for Leave to Appear as Counsel filed by Ivy Mercado-Ramos on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Mercado-Ramos, Ivy) (Entered: 04/11/2006)
04/12/2006	24	ORDER: Defendant's <a href="#">22</a> Motion to Withdraw is GRANTED. The appearances of attorneys Jose R. Gonzalez-Nogueras and Kayra D. Montanez-Laboy are terminated. Defendant's <a href="#">23</a> Motion for Leave to Appear is GRANTED. Attorneys Gregory T. Usera and Ivy Mercado-Ramos are granted leave to appear and are to be electronically noticed by the Clerk of all docketing activity in the case. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 4/12/06. (gr) (Entered: 04/12/2006)
04/12/2006	<a href="#">25</a>	MOTION Requesting Enlargement of Discovery Deadline filed by Ivy Mercado-Ramos on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Mercado-Ramos, Ivy) (Entered: 04/12/2006)
04/13/2006	<a href="#">26</a>	MOTION for Leave to Appear filed by Gregory T. Usera on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. Suggestions in opposition/response due by 4/26/2006 (Usera, Gregory) (Entered: 04/13/2006)
04/18/2006	<a href="#">27</a>	RESPONSE to Motion filed by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz Re: <a href="#">25</a> MOTION Requesting Enlargement of Discovery Deadline filed by International Ethical Laboratories, Inc., (Embrey, Diana) (Entered: 04/18/2006)
04/18/2006	<a href="#">28</a>	INFORMATIVE Motion filed by Ivy Mercado-Ramos on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Mercado-Ramos, Ivy) (Entered: 04/18/2006)
04/19/2006	29	ORDER: Defendant's <a href="#">26</a> Motion for Leave to Appear is NOTED and MOOT (see, Order of 4/12/06 at Dkt. 24). Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 4/19/06. (gr) (Entered: 04/19/2006)
04/19/2006	30	ORDER: Defendant's <a href="#">28</a> INFORMATIVE motion is NOTED. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 4/19/06. (gr) (Entered: 04/19/2006)
04/19/2006	31	ORDER re defendant's <a href="#">25</a> MOTION Requesting Enlargement of Discovery Deadline, and plaintiffs' <a href="#">27</a> Response: <b>The discovery deadline is enlarged until May 18, 2006.</b> Defendant shall provide its supplemental production of

		documents to the plaintiff on or before April 28, 2006. The parties shall abide by these dates as no further extensions shall be allowed. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 4/19/06. (gr) (Entered: 04/19/2006)
05/12/2006	<a href="#">32</a>	MOTION for extension of time until June 18, 2006 to File Dispositive Motions filed by Diana L. Embrey on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz Suggestions in opposition/response due by 5/25/2006 (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Text of Proposed Order)(Embrey, Diana) (Entered: 05/12/2006)
05/16/2006	33	ORDER granting <a href="#">32</a> Motion for extension of time until June 19, 2006 to file dispositive motions. The Court notes that it entered an [31] Order extending the discovery period until May 18, 2006. All other dates and deadlines contained in the <a href="#">5</a> Amended Scheduling Order remain in full force and effect. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 5/16/06. (gr) (Entered: 05/16/2006)
06/15/2006	<a href="#">34</a>	MOTION to Compel <i>the Production of Documents and Information, and Extend the Schedule for Motions, Pre-Trial Conference Reports and Trial</i> filed by Diana L. Embrey on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz Suggestions in opposition/response due by 6/28/2006 (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Index of Exhibits# <a href="#">2</a> Exhibits 1 through 8# <a href="#">3</a> Exhibits 9 through 12# <a href="#">4</a> Text of Proposed Order)(Embrey, Diana) (Entered: 06/15/2006)
06/29/2006	35	ORDER re plaintiff's <a href="#">34</a> Motion to Compel: Defendant is to respond by July 5, 2006. The Pretrial is vacated and, in lieu thereof, a status conference shall be held at which the Court shall rule on all pending discovery motions. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 6/29/06. (gr) (Entered: 06/29/2006)
06/29/2006	<a href="#">36</a>	MOTION for Leave to Appear <i>by Telephone at July 6, 2006 Status Conference</i> filed by Diana L. Embrey on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz Suggestions in opposition/response due by 7/12/2006 (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Text of Proposed Order)(Embrey, Diana) (Entered: 06/29/2006)
06/30/2006	37	ORDER granting <a href="#">36</a> Motion for Leave to Appear. Plaintiff's counsel is granted leave to appear by telephone for the status conference scheduled for July 6, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 6/30/2006. (jbg, ) (Entered: 06/30/2006)
07/05/2006	<a href="#">38</a>	MOTION for extension of time until July 20, 2006 to Respond to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel filed by Ivy Mercado-Ramos on behalf of International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. Suggestions in opposition/response due by 7/18/2006 (Mercado-Ramos, Ivy)

		(Entered: 07/05/2006)
07/06/2006	<a href="#">39</a>	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Hector M Laffitte: Status TeleConference held on 7/6/2006. The parties inform that they have agreed to a settlement and are in the final process of drafting agreement papers. Ms. Embrey will work on the language of the agreement and will request approval from appropriate agency authority; <b>she will submit same to defendant's counsel no later than Tuesday, July 11, 2006, at which time the parties will apprise the Court of the results of their negotiations in this regard.</b> In the meantime, the jury trial remains scheduled to begin on July 26, 2006. (gr) (Entered: 07/06/2006)
07/12/2006	40	ORDER: This case is scheduled for trial to commence on July 26, 2006. <b>The parties shall apprise the Court as to whether they have reached a viable settlement no later than Friday, July 14, 2006.</b> Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 7/12/06. (gr) (Entered: 07/12/2006)
07/14/2006	41	ORDER: The parties have informed the Court by telephone that they reached an agreement. <b>The parties further informed that they will be filing a Motion for Entry of Judgment together with a duly executed Settlement Agreement no later than Thursday, July 20, 2006.</b> Accordingly, the jury trial scheduled for July 26, 2006, is hereby VACATED. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 7/14/06. (gr) (Entered: 07/14/2006)
07/20/2006	<a href="#">42</a>	Joint MOTION to Approve Consent Judgment ( <i>Settlement Agreement</i> ) filed by Diana L. Embrey on behalf of Benito A. Colon-Ortiz, International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Settlement Agreement)(Embrey, Diana) (Entered: 07/20/2006)
07/24/2006	43	ENDORSED ORDER re <a href="#">42</a> Joint MOTION for Approval and Entry of <i>Settlement Agreement</i> : Granted. The Settlement Agreement has been approved on this same date. Signed by Judge Hector M Laffitte on 7/24/06. (gr) (Entered: 07/24/2006)
07/26/2006	<a href="#">44</a>	SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT by Benito A. Colon-Ortiz, International Ethical Laboratories, Inc. (np, ) (Entered: 07/26/2006)