



LORAIN COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO
JOURNAL ENTRY
Hon. D. Chris Cook, Judge

Date Oct. 11, 2017

Case No. 10CV170198

FORD MOTOR CO.

Plaintiff

Brett Bacon

Plaintiff's Attorney

VS

JEFFREY MINNICH, ET AL.

Defendant

Ronald Frederick – Robert Poklar – Mary
Lynn Arens

Defendant's Attorney

This matter is before the Court on Defendant/Counterclaim Plaintiff, Jeffrey Minnich,'s ("Minnich") Motion to Reinstate Case and Motion For Reconsideration, both filed October 11, 2017.

For reasons that defy any semblance of a rational explanation, this case has languished about since December 3, 2010 when the first complaint was filed. It appears, though of course is wholly unclear, that appeals were filed on January 25, 2012 and February 6, 2012 that were then dismissed? It also appears that there have been numerous dismissals, some with prejudice, some without, some by court order, and that there are motions that may never have even been ruled upon.

As aptly posited by Minnich, "[t]his case has a tortuous history . . ." No truer words have ever been written. It is almost impossible to decipher the procedural posture of this case and whether the Court even has jurisdiction to entertain the Motion to Reinstate. Was the case remanded for resolution and somehow relegated to the dust-bin of forgotten litigation or were all of the issues resolved and there is now nothing to "reinstate?"

While Minnich does a yeoman's job of reconstructing the meandering anabasis of filings, orders, and entries, the Court is interested in all parties view as to the propriety of reinstatement and if appropriate, the merits of the Motion For Reconsideration.



Absent a jurisprudential Rosetta Stone to cipher this quagmire of litigious machinations, the Court implores the parties to draft readable, clear, pleadings to assist in the identification of legal issues and the procedural quick sand into which this case devolved.

Accordingly, all interested parties are hereby granted leave to reply to Minnich's two Motions on or before November 3, 2017. No reply or rebuttal briefs will be considered. Court to rule thereafter and will schedule an oral hearing if necessary.

The parties are further ordered to serve Judge Cook directly with any filings *via* email at judgecook@loraincounty.us.

IT IS SO ORDERED. No Record.



JUDGE D. Chris Cook

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