

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

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In re: WATTS COORDINATED) Master Docket Case No. 19-cv-01717
PRETRIAL PROCEEDINGS)
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**PLAINTIFF HENRY THOMAS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
INSTANTER AN OVERSIZED BRIEF**

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1, Plaintiff Henry Thomas moves for leave to file *instanter* a response in excess of 15 pages to Defendants' partial motion to dismiss (Dkt. 170), stating in support as follows:

- 1) On December 22, 2020, Defendants filed a 22-page partial motion to dismiss, raising numerous arguments as to why they believe the United States Constitution does not permit certain theories of liability that Mr. Thomas seeks to pursue in this case.
- 2) In preparing his response to Defendants' partial motion to dismiss, Mr. Thomas has made every effort to comply with the Local Rule's 15-page limit for briefs, but he was unable to adequately address all of Defendants' arguments in 15 pages.
- 3) Mr. Thomas has been able to keep his response brief to 27 pages, and he respectfully requests leave to file *instanter* a 27-page response brief.
- 4) Mr. Thomas has conferred with Defendants about the relief requested in this motion, and they have all indicated that they do not oppose the motion.

WHEREFORE, Mr. Thomas respectfully requests leave to file *instanter* a 27-page response brief.

Respectfully submitted,

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