

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

CHARLES JOHNSON,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 22-cv-6396
	)	
CITY OF CHICAGO, PHILIP CLINE,	)	Judge Franklin U. Valderrama
DEBRA KIRBY, RONALD WATTS, BRIAN	)	
BOLTON, MIGUEL CABRALES, ROBERT	)	Magistrate Judge Albert Berry III
GONZALEZ, DOUGLAS NICHOLS JR, and	)	
ELSWORTH SMITH JR.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**STIPULATION TO DISMISS**

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties hereto, by their respective attorneys of record, that this matter has been settled by the parties and, therefore, all claims related to this cause should be dismissed without prejudice, to be automatically converted to dismissal with prejudice on June 15, 2026, unless a party has moved to extend that date prior to June 15, 2026. Each side shall bear its own costs and attorneys' fees.

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