

## TIMELINE FOR PROGRESS OF A UTILITY PATENT CASE

<u>Event</u>	<u>Deadlines</u>	<u>Total*</u>
Joinder of Issues	[L.Cv.R. 16.1(D)]	
Initial Attorneys' Conference	[Joinder +14]	
Filing of CIAC	[IAC +7]	
<b>Issuance of Scheduling Order</b>	<b>[CIAC +/- 30]</b>	<b>0</b>
Serve Initial Infringement Contentions [SO** + 30]		30
Serve Initial Invalidity Contentions	[SO + 90]	90
Exchange of Terms for Construction	[SO +111]	111
Exchange Preliminary Claim Construction	[SO +132]	132
File Joint Claim Construction Statement	[SO +162]	162
Close of Claim Construction Discovery	[SO +192]	192
File Opening Claim Construction Brief	[SO +206]	206
File Responsive Claim Construction Brief	[SO +220]	220
File Reply Claim Construction Brief	[SO +227]	227
File Surreply Claim Construction Brief	[SO +234]	234
File Claim Construction Chart	[SO +241]	241
Claim Construction Hearing	[SO +248]	248
<b>Issuance of Claim Construction Order &amp; Issuance of Pretrial Order</b>	<b>[SO +308]</b>	<b>308</b>
Amended Infringement Contentions Served	[PO***+ 30]	338
Amended Invalidity Contentions Served	[PO+ 60]	368
Advice of Counsel Defense Served	[PO + 120]	428
Fact Discovery Closes	[PO + 180]	488
Opening Expert Reports Served	[PO + 225]	533
Rebuttal Expert Reports Served	[PO + 255]	563
Close of Expert Discovery	[PO + 270]	578
Mediation Deadline	[PO + 285]	593
Dispositive and <u>Daubert</u> Motions Deadline	[PO + 320]	628
<b>Ready Date for Trial</b>	<b>[PO + 420]</b>	<b>728</b>

\* Events prior to the Court's issuance of a Scheduling Order are not included inasmuch as Court sanctioned discovery does not commence until such date.

\*\* "Scheduling Order."

\*\*\* "Pretrial Order."