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# U. S. District Court Eastern District of Louisiana (New Orleans) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:01-cv-02451-EEF

Kramer, et al v. New Orleans Saints, et al Assigned to: Judge Eldon E. Fallon

Demand: \$0

Cause: 42:2000e Job Discrimination (Employment)

Date Filed: 08/13/2001 Date Terminated: 11/12/2003

Jury Demand: Both

Nature of Suit: 442 Civil Rights: Jobs Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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#### **Melanie Kramer**

individually and on behalf of others similarly situated

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/13/2001	1	COMPLAINT; 4 summons(es) issued (bb) (Entered: 08/14/2001)
08/13/2001		Payment of filing fee by plaintiff Melanie Kramer in amount of \$ 150.00 (bb) (Entered: 08/14/2001)
08/13/2001		Automatic Referral (Utility Event) to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bb) (Entered: 08/14/2001)
08/15/2001	2	Request by plaintiff Melanie Kramer and summons re–issued on orig complaint as to defendant New Orleans Saints, defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co; issd 4 sms (bb) (Entered: 08/15/2001)
09/06/2001	<u>3</u>	Motion by defendant Benson Football Inc and ORDER extending time to answer complaint until 9/24/01 by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 9/10/01 (bc) (Entered: 09/10/2001)
09/12/2001	<u>5</u>	Motion by defendant New Orleans Saints, defendant Tom Benson and ORDER extending time to answer pla's complaint until 9/26/01 by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 9/14/01 (bb) (Entered: 09/17/2001)
09/13/2001	4	RETURN OF SERVICE of summons and complaint upon defendant New Orleans Saints, defendant Tom Benson; no service dates given (bb) (Entered: 09/13/2001)
10/19/2001		(Utility Event) Substituting party(s): terminating New Orleans Saints, adding NO Louisiana Saints (dw) (Entered: 10/22/2001)
10/19/2001	<u>6</u>	ANSWER by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant NO Louisiana Saints to complaint by plaintiff Melanie Kramer [1–1] (dw) (Entered: 10/22/2001)
11/13/2001	7	Request by plaintiff Melanie Kramer and summons re–issued on orig complaint as to defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co; issd 2 sms (bb) Modified on 12/26/2001 (Entered: 11/14/2001)
11/13/2001	9	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer and ORDER that the deadline for pla to file her class motion is extended until 3/12/02 by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 11/15/01 (dw) (Entered: 11/16/2001)
11/15/2001	8	RETURN OF SERVICE of summons and complaint upon defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co through Tom Benson on 11/13/01 (bb) Modified on 11/15/2001 (Entered: 11/15/2001)
11/16/2001	<u>10</u>	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer and ORDER for leave to file amended cmp by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 11/20/01 (bb) (Entered: 11/26/2001)
11/26/2001	11	PLAINTIFF'S 1ST AMENDED complaint [1–1]; adding Sylvia Alfortish as party plaintiff (bb) (Entered: 11/26/2001)
11/29/2001	12	ANSWER by defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co to complaint by plaintiff Melanie Kramer [1–1] (bb) (Entered: 11/30/2001)
12/04/2001	<u>13</u>	ANSWER by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO Louisiana Saints to 1st amended complaint by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish [11–1] (bb) (Entered:

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		12/05/2001)
12/05/2001	<u>14</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 12/5/01 ) ; Preliminary Conference is set at 1:30 1/24/02 by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bb) (Entered: 12/06/2001)
12/12/2001	15	RETURN OF SERVICE of summons and complaint upon defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co on 11/15/01 (bb) (Entered: 12/12/2001)
01/24/2002	<u>16</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 1/24/02 ) A Rule 16 Scheduling Conference was held 1:30 1/24/02; parties will notify the Mag of their decision to consent pursuant to 28:636(c) by 2/1/02 by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bb) (Entered: 01/24/2002)
01/28/2002	<u>17</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 1/25/02 ) Notice of 636(c) non consent to proceed bfr a Mag Judge by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bb) (Entered: 01/28/2002)
02/08/2002	18	Notice of Deposition by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO LA Saints of Sylvia Alfortish on 3/18/02 &Melanie Kramer on 3/21/02 (bb) (Entered: 02/13/2002)
02/13/2002	<u>19</u>	NOTICE/ORDER that a preliminary conference is scheduled by telephone before courtroom deputy at 10:15 3/7/02 by Clerk (gml) (Entered: 02/14/2002)
03/11/2002	<u>20</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 3/8/02 ) Ordered that the Preliminary Conference is cont to 10:15 3/19/02 by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (bb) (Entered: 03/11/2002)
03/11/2002	<u>23</u>	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer and ORDER extending deadlines as follows: 5/20/02 as the date for plas to file mtns for class certification and/or collective action; 6/3/02 as the date for dft's filing of an opp; 6/17/02 as the date for plas' reply memo to be due by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 3/12/02 (bb) (Entered: 03/13/2002)
03/12/2002	<u>21</u>	MOTION by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO LA Saints to compel disc referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby to be heard before Mag Roby at 11:00 3/27/02 (bb) (Entered: 03/13/2002)
03/12/2002	22	Notice of Deposition by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO LA Saints of Melanie Kramer on 4/17/02 and Sylvia Alfortish on 4/19/02 (bb) (Entered: 03/13/2002)
03/25/2002	<u>24</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 3/19/02 ) Ordered that the Preliminary Conference set at 10:15 3/19/02 is cont to be reset by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (bb) (Entered: 03/25/2002)
03/27/2002	<u>25</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 3/27/02 ) granting dfts' motion to compel disc [21–1] by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bb) (Entered: 03/28/2002)
04/18/2002	26	Re–Notice of Deposition by defendants Tom Benson of Melanie Kramer on 5/6/02 and Sylvia Alfortish on 5/8/02 (bb) (Entered: 04/19/2002)
05/20/2002	<u>27</u>	Motion by plaintiffs Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish and ORDER for appearance of atty Michael Hudson Ellis as additional co–counsel of record for same. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 5/21/02 (dno) (Entered: 05/21/2002)
05/20/2002	<u>28</u>	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish and ORDER for expedited hrg on their mtn to extend class certification deadlines; hrg set for 5/28/02 at 9:00 w/oral argument; by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 5/21/02 (rg) (Entered: 05/23/2002)
05/20/2002	<u>30</u>	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish and ORDER that plas' mtn to extend class certification deadlines be heard w/oral argument 5/28/02 at 9:00 a.m.; by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 5/21/02 (rg) (Entered: 05/23/2002)
05/22/2002	<u>29</u>	Exp MOTION by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish to extend deadlines for class certification to be heard before Judge Fallon at 9:00 5/28/02 (rg) (Entered: 05/23/2002)

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05/24/2002	32	Motion by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co and ORDER expediting their mtn to strike class allegations – hrg set for 5/28/02 at 9:00am w/oral argument bfr Judge Fallon. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 05/30/2002)
05/24/2002	<u>34</u>	Opposition by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co to motion to extend deadlines for class certification [29–1] filed by plaintiffs Melanie Kramer &Sylvia Alfortish (dno) (Entered: 05/30/2002)
05/28/2002	31	SMOOTH MINUTES: Reported by O.J. Robert. Hrg on the plas' motion to extend deadlines for class certification [29–1] was held on 5/28/02. After argument by counsel, mtn taken under submission. Court adjourned. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 05/29/2002)
05/29/2002	<u>33</u>	MOTION by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co to strike class allegations to be heard before Judge at 9:00 5/28/02 (dno) (Entered: 05/30/2002)
05/30/2002	<u>35</u>	ORDERED that the plas' motion to extend deadlines for class certification [29–1] is DENIED. FURTHER ORDERED that the dfts' motion to strike plas' class allegations [33–1] is GRANTED. FURTHER ORDERED that plas' counsel shall w/in 20 days file in this Court an amended cmp in which the previously asserted class allegations are stricken. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 5/28/02 (dno) (Entered: 05/31/2002)
06/19/2002	<u>36</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (6/18/02) On this date counsel for plas contacted the Court to inquire as to whether the 20 day amendment period set forth in this Court's order dated 5/28/02 would be calculated from the date on which the order was executed (5/28/02) or from the date of the filing of the order (5/30/02); The Court informed counsel that the 20 day period will be calculated from the date of the order's filing by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (gw) (Entered: 06/19/2002)
06/19/2002	<u>37</u>	PLAINTIFFS' 2ND AMENDED complaint [1–1], [11–1]; no new ptys added, no summons issued (dno) (Entered: 06/20/2002)
07/11/2002	<u>38</u>	ANSWER by defendant NO LA Saints, defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co to 2nd amd complaint by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish [37–1]; jury demand (dg) (Entered: 07/12/2002)
08/19/2002	<u>39</u>	NOTICE/ORDER that a preliminary conference is scheduled by telephone before courtroom deputy at 10:00 9/9/02 by Clerk (gml) (Entered: 08/19/2002)
08/19/2002	40	Re-Notice of Deposition by dfts New Orleans Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc, Benz-Saints Mgt Co &NO LA Saints of Sylvia Alfortish on 9/20/02. (dno) (Entered: 08/20/2002)
08/20/2002	41	MINUTE ENTRY (8/19/02) ORDERED that the referral to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby is VACATED. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 08/20/2002)
09/09/2002	<u>42</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 09/09/02 ) ; Preliminary Conference held 10:00 9/9/02 ; Status Conf is set 1:30 10/15/02 ; Pre–Trial Conference is set 8:30 6/3/03 ; jury trial is set 8:30 6/16/03 before Judge; by Clerk (gml) (Entered: 09/09/2002)
10/09/2002	43	MOTION by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish for leave to file 3rd amended complaint referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby for hrg at 11:00 10/30/02 (proposed original attached) (dno) Modified on 10/11/2002 (Entered: 10/11/2002)
10/16/2002	44	MINUTE ENTRY (10/15/02): A settlement conference is scheduled before magistrate at 2:00 12/3/02; settlement letters due at least 2 days prior to the conf. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 10/17/2002)
10/17/2002	<u>45</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (10/15/02) A Status Conf was held this date in chambers. Following the conf, defense counsel informed the Court by phone that a settlement conf was scheduled for 12/3/02 in Mag Roby's chambers. ORDERED that pla's counsel shall produce the diary to the defense counsel w/in 10 days of the date of this conf. FURTHER ORDERED that a status conf is SCHEDULED for 1/8/03 at 8:30am. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 10/17/2002)

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11/04/2002	<u>46</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (11/4/02) ORDERED that the plas' motion for leave to file 3rd amended complaint [43–1] is GRANTED. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 11/04/2002)
11/04/2002	<u>47</u>	PLAINTIFFS' 3RD AMENDED complaint [1–1], [11–1], [37–1]; no new ptys added, no summons issued (dno) (Entered: 11/05/2002)
11/08/2002	48	Re–Notice of Deposition by dfts New Orleans Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc, Benz–Saints Mgt Co &NO LA Saints of Melanie Kramer on 12/10/02. (dno) (Entered: 11/12/2002)
11/12/2002	<u>49</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 11/8/02 ) ORDERED that a Status Conf shall be held in chambers on 11/14/02 at 8:30am. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 11/12/2002)
11/14/2002	<u>50</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (11/14/02) A Status Conf was held this date in chambers. ORDERED that defense counsel shall provide plas' counsel w/available dates for depos of Jim Haslett &Tom Benson by 11/15/02. Defense counsel shall provide 2 available dates in 1/03 w/2 back—ups dates for these depos in 2/03. FURTHER ORDERED that defense counsel shall inform Court in writing as to the selection of these dates. Additionally, Court notes following scheduled depos as set out in doc. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 11/14/2002)
11/14/2002	<u>51</u>	ANSWER by defendant NO LA Saints, defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co to 3rd amended complaint by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish [47–1]; jury demand (bc) Modified on 11/15/2002 (Entered: 11/15/2002)
12/03/2002	52	Notice of Deposition by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO LA Saints of Melanie Kramer on 12/11/02. (rg) (Entered: 12/04/2002)
12/06/2002	<u>53</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (12/4/02) Settlement confs were held on 12/3/02 &continued to this date. ORDERED that another settlement conf is set bfr Mag Roby on 5/5/03 at 2:00pm. Suppl settlement position letters are due to Mag by 5/1/03. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 12/06/2002)
12/09/2002	54	Notice of Deposition by plas Melanie Kramer &Sylvia Alfortish of Dennis Lauscha on 12/18/02. (dno) (Entered: 12/09/2002)
12/09/2002	55	Notice of Deposition by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish of Arnold Fielkow on 12/12/02. (dno) (Entered: 12/09/2002)
12/23/2002	56	Notice of Deposition by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish of Jim Haslett on 1/23/03. (dno) (Entered: 12/26/2002)
12/23/2002	57	Notice of Deposition by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish of Tom Benson on 1/8/03. (dno) (Entered: 12/26/2002)
01/07/2003	<u>58</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 1/6/03 ) ORDERED that the status conf scheduled for 1/8/03 be CONT until 8:30 2/4/03. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 01/07/2003)
01/07/2003	<u>59</u>	Response by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co to plas' unopposed mtn for continuance of depos &continuance of status conf. (dno) (Entered: 01/08/2003)
01/07/2003	<u>62</u>	Unopposed motion by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish for continuance of depo & continuance of status conf and UNSIGNED ORDER – See Court's M.E. dated 1/9/03 (dno) (Entered: 01/13/2003)
01/09/2003	60	Notice of Deposition by plaintiff Melanie Kramer of Jim Haslett on 2/10/03 (vld) (Entered: 01/09/2003)
01/09/2003	61	Notice of Deposition by plaintiff Melanie Kramer of Tom Benson on 2/21/03 (vld) (Entered: 01/09/2003)
01/10/2003	<u>63</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 1/9/03 ) ORDERED that pla's unopposed mtn for continuance of status conf [62–1] is DENIED AS MOOT. As for the mtn for continuance of the depos of James Haslett &Tom Benson previously scheduled for 1/8/03, the Court GRANTS a continuance as set out in doc. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered:

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01/17/2003	64	Notice of Records Deposition by defendant NO LA Saints of Vincennes University, c/o Donna Jo Weaver on 2/7/03. (dno) (Entered: 01/21/2003)
01/17/2003	65	Notice of Records Deposition by defendant NO LA Saints of Indiana State University c/o Ms. Carolyn Kidder on 2/7/03. (dno) (Entered: 01/21/2003)
01/22/2003	66	Re–Notice of Deposition by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish of Tom Benson on 2/20/03. (dno) (Entered: 01/22/2003)
02/04/2003	<u>67</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (2/4/03) Status Conf held 2/4/03; ORDERED that counsel shall contact the Court no later than 2/10/03 to notify the Court of plas' counsel's decision regarding the enrollment of co–counsel by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dw) (Entered: 02/05/2003)
02/10/2003	<u>68</u>	Motion by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co and ORDER expediting their mtn for protective order to prohibit videotaping depo – hrg set for 8:45am on 2/10/03. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 02/10/2003)
02/10/2003	<u>69</u>	MOTION by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co for protective order to prohibit videotaping depo referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby for hrg at 8:45 2/10/03 (dno) (Entered: 02/10/2003)
02/13/2003	<u>70</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (2/13/03) ORDERED that dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co's motion for protective order to prohibit videotaping depo [69–1] is DENIED. FURTHER ORDERED that the Court Recorder Supervisor is designated as custodian of the cassette tape used to record the hrg. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 02/14/2003)
02/13/2003	71	Motion by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO LA Saints expediting hearing on dfts mtn for protective order and UNSIGNED ORDER (ca) (Entered: 02/19/2003)
02/19/2003	72	MOTION by defendant Tom Benson, defendant Benson Football Inc, defendant Benz–Saints Mgt Co, defendant NO LA Saints for protective order to be heard before Mag Judge Roby no hearing date set (ca) (Entered: 02/19/2003)
02/19/2003	<u>73</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 02/18/03 ) denying as moot dft's motion for portective order [72–1] by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (ca) (Entered: 02/19/2003)
02/25/2003	74	RETURN OF SERVICE of subps to Vincennes University svd 1/21/03 &Indiana State University svd 1/28/03. (dno) (Entered: 02/27/2003)
02/27/2003	<u>75</u>	MOTION by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish to continue trial and trial deadlines and unopposed mtn to continue the depo of Tom Benson and UNSIGNED ORDER; see minute entry dated 3/11/03 (dw) (Entered: 03/12/2003)
03/12/2003	<u>76</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 3/11/03 ) ORDERED that plas' motion to continue trial and trial deadlines be GRANTED and that the trial be CONTINUED with new trial dates to be selected upon the plas' retention of new counsel; FURTHER ORDERED that the depositions of Tom Benson, Saints coaches, or key administrators be CONTINUED until after the 2003–2004 football season [75–1]; FURTHER ORDERED that the request of plas' counsel Paula Perrone to withdraw from representation be DENIED until new counsel is retained; FURTHER ORDERED that the plas and/or plas' counsel shall have 3 weeks from the date of this Minute Entry in which to obtain new counsel by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dw) (Entered: 03/12/2003)
03/28/2003	<u>77</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 3/25/03 ) ORDERED that a telephone status conf shall be held 1:30 4/8/03. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 03/28/2003)
04/01/2003	<u>78</u>	Motion by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish and ORDER withdrawing attorney Paula Perrone & Cherhardy, Sherman, Ellis, Breslin, Murray & Recile, L.L.P. and substituting attorney Sean D. Alfortish as counsel for same. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 4/2/03 (dno) (Entered: 04/02/2003)

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04/09/2003	<u>79</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (04/08/03) Status Conf was held 1:30 4/8/03; counsel to finalize an order of dismissal as to non–legal entities as well as a proto no later than 2 weeks from the date of this m.e.; counsel to prepare for trial as set forth in doc; Pre–Trial Conference is set for 8:30 1/26/04; jury trial is set for 8:30 2/9/04, by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dmg) (Entered: 04/10/2003)
05/05/2003	<u>80</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (5/5/03): a settlement conference is re–scheduled before magistrate at 10:00 1/5/04; statement of evidence w/outline of settlement negotiations due 2 days bfr conf; by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (rg) (Entered: 05/06/2003)
07/11/2003	<u>81</u>	Motion by dfts NO Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc, Benz–Saints Mgt Co &NO LA Saints and ORDER that dfts Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co are dismissed w/o prej. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 7/14/03 (dno) (Entered: 07/15/2003)
07/11/2003	<u>88</u>	MOTION by dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co for protective order and UNSIGNED ORDER (dno) (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/14/2003	<u>82</u>	MOTION by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson & for leave to continue the depo until complete referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby for hrg at 11:00 7/30/03 (dno) (Entered: 07/15/2003)
07/14/2003	<u>83</u>	Request for Oral Argument by Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish regarding their motion to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson & for leave to continue the depo until complete [82–1] (dno) (Entered: 07/15/2003)
07/14/2003	<u>84</u>	MOTION by plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and for admissions referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby to be heard before Mag Judge Roby at 11:00 7/30/03 (dmg) (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/14/2003	<u>85</u>	Motion by plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish and ORDER granting her request for oral argument on her motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and for admissions [84–1] at 11:00 7/30/03 by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby Date Signed: 07/15/03 (dmg) (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/14/2003	<u>86</u>	MOTION by plaintiff Melanie Kramer to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and admissions referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby to be heard before Mag Judge Roby at 11:00 7/30/03 (dmg) (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/14/2003	<u>87</u>	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer and ORDER granting her request for oral argument on her motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and admissions [86–1] at 11:00 7/30/03 by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby Date Signed: 07/15/03 (dmg) (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/16/2003	<u>89</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (7/15/03) Dfts' motion for protective order [88–1] will be held WITH ORAL ARGUMENTS on 7/30/03 at 11:00am. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) Modified on 07/23/2003 (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/16/2003	90	MINUTE ENTRY (7/15/03) ORDERED that the plas' request for oral argument [83–1] on their motion to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson & for leave to continue the depo until complete [82–1] is GRANTED. Mtn will be heard by oral argument on 7/30/03 at 11:00am bfr Mag Roby. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 07/16/2003)
07/18/2003	<u>91</u>	Motion by defendant NO LA Saints and ORDER extending time until 7/25/03 to file its opp to plas' mtns to compel that are set for oral argument on 7/30/03. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby Date Signed: 7/21/03 (dno) (Entered: 07/22/2003)
07/23/2003	<u>92</u>	Memo in opposition by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish to motion for protective order [88–1] filed by defendant NO LA Saints (dno) (Entered: 07/23/2003)

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07/24/2003	<u>93</u>	Memo in opposition by defendant NO LA Saints to motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and admissions [86–1] filed by plaintiff Melanie Kramer (dno) (Entered: 07/24/2003)
07/24/2003	<u>94</u>	Memo in opposition by defendant NO LA Saints to motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and for admissions [84–1] filed by plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish (dno) (Entered: 07/24/2003)
07/24/2003	<u>95</u>	Memo in opposition by defendant NO LA Saints to motion to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson &for leave to continue the depo until complete [82–1] filed by plaintiffs Melanie Kramer &Sylvia Alfortish (dno) (Entered: 07/24/2003)
07/31/2003	<u>96</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (7/30/03) ORDERED that dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co's mtn for protective order [88–1] is CONT to 8/8/03 at 9:00am w/oral arguments. FURTHER ORDERED that the plas' motion to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson &for leave to continue the depo until complete [82–1] is CONT to 8/8/03 w/oral arguments. FURTHER ORDERED that the plas' mtn to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and for admissions [84–1] is GRANTED IN PART, DENIED IN PART &CONT IN PART to 8/8/03 at 9:00am w/oral arguments. FURTHER ORDERED that the plas' mtn to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and admissions [86–1] is DENIED IN PART &CONT IN PART to 8/8/03 at 9:00am w/oral arguments. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 07/31/2003)
08/06/2003	<u>97</u>	Supplemental memorandum by plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish regarding her [84–1] motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and for admissions (dno) (Entered: 08/07/2003)
08/07/2003	<u>98</u>	Motion by defendant NO LA Saints expediting hrg on their mtn to continue hearing set for 08/08/03 and UNSIGNED ORDER DENIED AS MOOT – see m.e. dated 08/11/03 (dmg) Modified on 08/12/2003 (Entered: 08/12/2003)
08/11/2003	<u>99</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (08/11/03) discovery conf was held 08/07/03; continuing pla's motion to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson &for leave to continue the depo until complete [82–1] until 11:00 8/13/03 w/oral argument; Court Recorder Supervisor is designated as custodian of the tape used at hearing by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dmg) (Entered: 08/12/2003)
08/14/2003	100	MINUTE ENTRY (8/13/03) ORDERED that plas' motion to compel the depo testimony of Tom Benson &for leave to continue the depo until complete [82–1] is GRANTED IN PART &DENIED IN PART AS STATED HEREIN; Sylvia Alfortish's motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and for admissions [84–1] is DENIED AS MOOT as to req for Production Nos. 5 &6; Melanie Kramer's motion to compel NO Saints, et al to answer interrogs, request for prod of docs and [86–1] is DENIED AS MOOT as to req for Production No. 5; dfts NO LA Saints, Tom Benson, Benson Football Inc &Benz–Saints Mgt Co's motion for protective order [88–1] is DENIED AS MOOT by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bc) (Entered: 08/14/2003)
08/15/2003	<u>101</u>	PROTECTIVE ORDER: by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby Date Signed: 08/14/03 (dmg) (Entered: 08/19/2003)
09/30/2003	<u>102</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (9/30/03) At the req of dft's counsel &the consent of pla's counsel, a settlement conf in addition to the one scheduled on 1/5/04 at 10:00 am has been set; All lead counsel are ORDERED to appear in chambers at 8:30 am on 10/20/03; Settlement ltrs due at least two days bfr the conf by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (gw) (Entered: 10/01/2003)
10/22/2003	<u>103</u>	MINUTE ENTRY ( 10/20/03 ) Settlement conference held this date; ORDERED that another settlement conf is set bfr Mag Judge at 9:00 11/5/03; position papers due by 11/3/03 by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (bc) (Entered: 10/23/2003)
10/27/2003	<u>104</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (10/24/03): the settlement conference is rescheduled before magistrate at 9:00 11/5/03; settlement letters due by 11/03/03 by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dmg) (Entered: 10/27/2003)

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11/06/2003	<u>105</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (11/5/03) Settlement conference held 9:00 11/5/03, negotiations are continuing by telephone by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (lg) (Entered: 11/07/2003)
11/12/2003	<u>106</u>	ORDER OF DISMISSAL of case w/o costs &w/o prej. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 11/11/03 (CASE CLOSED) (dno) (Entered: 11/12/2003)
11/12/2003	<u>107</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (11/10/03) A settlement conf was held this date. Negotiations were successful &settlement was reached. by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (dno) (Entered: 11/13/2003)
01/02/2004	<u>109</u>	Motion by plaintiff Melanie Kramer, plaintiff Sylvia Alfortish and ORDER dismissing all dfts w/prej by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 1/6/03 (lg) (Entered: 01/09/2004)
01/07/2004	<u>108</u>	MOTION by movant — Chehardy Sherman for leave to file mtn to reopen case &cmp for intervention referred to Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby to be heard before Mag Judge Roby at 11:00 1/28/04 (proposed original attached) (lg) (Entered: 01/08/2004)
01/20/2004	<u>110</u>	Memo in opposition by plas Melanie Kramer & Sylvia Alfortish to motion for leave to file mtn to reopen case & cmp for intervention [108–1] filed by movant – Chehardy Sherman (dno) (Entered: 01/21/2004)
01/22/2004	<u>111</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (01/22/04) setting mov Chehardy, Sherman's motion for leave to file mtn to reopen case &cmp for intervention [108–1] at 11:00 1/28/04 WITH ORAL ARGUMENT by Magistrate Judge Karen W. Roby (crc) (Entered: 01/23/2004)
01/28/2004	<u>112</u>	MINUTE ENTRY (1/27/04) Movant Chehard Sherman's mtn for leave to file mtn to reopen case &cmp for intervention [108–1] is TRANSFERRED to Judge Fallon &the matter shall be heard w/oral argument on 2/18/04 at 9:00am. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon (dno) (Entered: 01/28/2004)
02/12/2004	<u>113</u>	ORDER &REASONS that movant Chehardy Sherman's mtn for leave to file mtn to reopen case &cmp for intervention [108–1] is DENIED. by Judge Eldon E. Fallon Date Signed: 2/11/04 (dno) (Entered: 02/12/2004)