

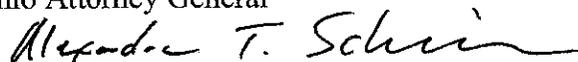
The Ohio State University has asked the Court to refer this public-records case to mediation and to stay the scheduling entry issued on September 21, 2011, pending the conclusion of mediation. See *Case Announcements*, 2011-Ohio-4751. The university respectfully asks the Court for expedited consideration of that motion.

The scheduling entry directs the parties to submit evidence the week after next—by October 11, 2011—and directs merit briefing to begin 10 days later. But, as demonstrated in the mediation motion and the correspondence attached to it, the parties have been cooperating to resolve the requests underlying this suit, and mediation would considerably simplify the issues before the Court (or perhaps resolve the case entirely). These efforts would be cut off prematurely if the parties must adhere to the existing schedule and shift their attention away from cooperative efforts at resolving the remaining issues.

Because the existing schedule would imminently end the parties' current drive toward resolving or simplifying the issues in this case, Ohio State urges the Court for expedited consideration of the motion for mediation and a stay of the scheduling entry.

Respectfully submitted,

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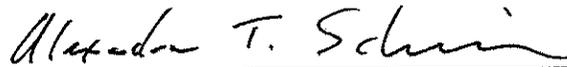
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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion of The Ohio State University for Expedited Consideration of Motion for Referral to Mediation and a Stay of the Scheduling Entry was served by email and U.S. mail this 28 day of September, 2011 upon the following counsel:

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