

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

BRIAN FORD, Individually and on Behalf of  
All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

-against-

RAYTHEON COMPANY and THOMAS A.  
KENNEDY,

Defendants.

Case No. 19-cv-2818 (PJS/DTS)

**ORDER**

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Having considered the papers filed in support of Brian Ford's ("Mr. Ford") Motion for Appointment as Lead Plaintiff and Approval of His Selection of Counsel (the "Motion"), pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "PSLRA"), 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4 *et seq.*, and for good cause shown, the Court **HEREBY ORDERS** as follows:

**I. APPOINTMENT OF LEAD PLAINTIFF AND COUNSEL**

1. Mr. Ford has moved this Court to be appointed as Lead Plaintiff in the above-captioned action (the "Action") and to approve the counsel he retained to be Lead Counsel and Liaison Counsel.

2. Having considered the provisions of Section 21D(a)(3)(B), 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(3)(B), the Court hereby concludes that Mr. Ford is the most adequate plaintiff and satisfies the requirements of the PSLRA. Thus, the Court hereby appoints Mr. Ford as Lead Plaintiff to represent the interests of the putative class.

3. Pursuant to Section 21D(a)(3)(B)(v) of the PSLRA, 15 U.S.C. §78u-4(a)(3)(B)(v), Mr. Ford has selected and retained the law firm Monteverde & Associates

PC to serve as Lead Counsel and Reinhardt Wendorf & Blanchfield as Liaison Counsel. The Court hereby approves Mr. Ford's selection of Lead Counsel and Liaison Counsel for the putative class.

4. Lead Counsel shall have the following responsibilities and duties, to be carried out either personally or through counsel designated by Lead Counsel:

- a. to coordinate the briefing and argument of any and all motions;
- b. to coordinate the conduct of any and all discovery proceedings;
- c. to coordinate the examination of any and all witnesses in deposition;
- d. to coordinate the selection of counsel to act as spokesperson at all pretrial conferences;
- e. to coordinate all settlement negotiations with counsel for defendants;
- f. to coordinate and direct the pretrial discovery proceedings and the preparation for trial and the trial of this matter and to delegate work responsibilities to selected counsel as may be required;
- g. to coordinate the preparation and filing of all pleadings; and
- h. to supervise all other matters concerning the prosecution or resolution of the Action.

## **II. NEWLY FILED OR TRANSFERRED ACTIONS**

5. If a case that arises out of the subject matter of this Action is hereinafter filed in this Court or transferred from another Court, the Clerk of this Court shall:

- a. file a copy of this Order in the separate file for such action;

- b. mail a copy of this Order to the attorneys for the plaintiff(s) in the newly filed or transferred case and to any new defendant(s) in the newly filed or transferred case; and
- c. make the appropriate entry on the docket for this Action.

6. Each new case that arises out of the subject matter of the action that is filed in this Court or transferred to this Court shall be consolidated with this Action and this Order shall apply thereto, unless a party objects to this Order or any provision of this Order and within ten (10) days after the date upon which a copy of this Order is served on counsel for such party, files an application for relief from this Order or any provision herein, and this Court deems it appropriate to grant such application.

7. During the pendency of this litigation, or until order of this Court, the parties shall take reasonable steps to preserve all documents within their possession, custody, or control, including computer-generated and stored information and materials such as computerized data and electronic mail, containing information that is relevant to or which may lead to the discovery of information relevant to the subject matter of the pending litigation.

Dated: January 22, 2020

s/David T. Schultz  
DAVID T. SCHULTZ  
United States Magistrate Judge