

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION

MONTANA MEDICAL
ASSOCIATION, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

AUSTIN KNUDSEN, et al.,

Defendants.

CV 21-108-M-DWM

ORDER

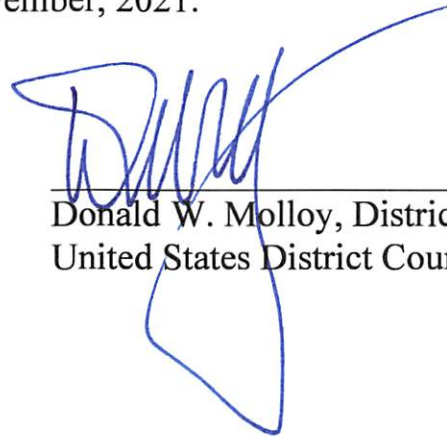
This action was originally filed on September 22, 2021. (Doc. 1.)

Following an extension of time to respond, (Doc. 6), Defendants moved to dismiss in lieu of answering, (Doc. 7). In responding to that motion, Plaintiffs filed a First Amended Complaint. (Doc. 14.) *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(1)(B). As a result, the pending motion to dismiss was denied as moot and an expedited response deadline was set. (*See* Doc. 15.) Defendants now seek a one-week extension of those deadlines, citing pre-planned, work-related travel. (Doc. 17.) However, this matter is one of great importance that must be resolved promptly. There are numerous attorneys in the Attorney General’s office, including two that have appeared in this case in addition to Mr. Mead. Moreover, Defendants have already

drafted one motion to dismiss that will likely form the basis of any renewed motion. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants' motion to extend the responsive pleading schedule (Doc. 16) is DENIED.

DATED this 4th day of November, 2021.



Donald W. Molloy, District Judge
United States District Court