

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

TIM D'JOCK,

Plaintiff,

v.

CHRISTINE STRUNK,

Defendant.

ORDER

02-C-381-C

Michael P. Erhard has written to the court to advise it that defendant Christine Strunk's attorney in Frankfurt, Germany has asked him today to take on the representation of defendant Strunk. Mr. Erhard advises the court that he explained to defendant's attorney that he would be willing to undertake the legal representation only if the court removed the case from its trial calendar and scheduled a status conference for some time in the future. I am denying Mr. Erhard's request to continue the trial date to allow him to decide whether to provide representation to defendant.

Defendant has known about the trial date for well over a month. She advised the court in a telephone status conference on August 6, 2003, that she would not be defending herself at trial. It would not be fair to plaintiff to continue the trial the day before it is to

be held after he has made all his trial preparations, particularly when it is not even certain that Mr. Erhard will agree to represent defendant. Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that Mr. Erhard's request for a continuance is DENIED.

Entered this 26th day of August, 2003.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB
District Judge