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

WNS HOLDINGS, LLC and MARK ALAN EBERWINE,

Plaintiffs,

PRELIMINARY PRETRIAL CONFERENCE ORDER

v.

NORTHWEST AIRLINES, INC.,

Defendant.

08-cv-305-bbc

On July 25, 2008, this court held a telephonic preliminary pretrial conference. Both sides were represented by counsel.

Because the parties declined jurisdiction of the magistrate judge in this case and because the only full-time Article III judge in this court is not in a position to take additional patent cases at this time, I declined to set a schedule for this lawsuit. The court will look for a visiting Article III judge to assume jurisdiction over this case. Once a judge has been assigned, the court will set a schedule for future proceedings. In the interim, discovery may begin. The parties reported that so far they are cooperating well, but if things change, motions regarding discovery should be filed with this court. The parties had no other matters to bring to the court's attention.

Entered this 25th day of July, 2008.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

STEPHEN L. CROCKER Magistrate Judge