

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MAINE**

LAURIE TARDIFF, individually and on
behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs

v.

Civil No. 02-251-P-C

KNOX COUNTY, DANIEL DAVEY, in his
individual capacity and in his official capacity
as Knox County Sheriff,

Defendants

Gene Carter, Senior District Judge

**ORDER PURGING THE DOCKET OF SUPERFLUOUS AND UNAUTHORIZED
WITNESS LISTS OF THE PARTIES**

It is apparent to the Court in reviewing the record in this case in preparation for trial that counsel on both sides of the case have contributed to massive confusion by the multiple filing of witness lists not authorized by Rule or Order herein which will surely obfuscate at trial all questions as to which persons have been properly noticed as witnesses in accordance with the Court's Orders following the Final Pretrial Conference of June 12 and 16, 2006 authorizing each side to list a total of thirty-three (33) witnesses. The Court **FINDS** that it is necessary to prune the record of various witness list filings by both parties in an effort to diminish confusion at trial and strategic posturing by counsel in respect to properly noticed witnesses.

Accordingly, the Court **FINDS** that the only authorized and properly filed witness lists filed by the Plaintiffs herein are Plaintiffs' Amended Witness List (Docket Item No.

217), and Plaintiffs' Supplemental Witness List (Docket Item No. 204). The Court further **FINDS** that the only authorized and proper witness list filed on behalf of Defendants herein is Defendants' Witness List (Docket Item No. 198) filed on May 25, 2006.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that each of the parties be, and they are hereby, **LIMITED** at trial of the class action portion of the case on liability issues, to those persons listed as witnesses in Docket Items Nos. 217, 204, and 198, except upon a specific order of the Court entered at trial on a very specific showing of cause by the party proposing any other witness as to the reason why the witness could not have been properly noticed by timely listing in pretrial procedures.

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that all other witness lists now appearing on the docket, *viz.* Docket Items Nos. 203, 244, 288, and 309 be, and they are hereby, **STRICKEN** from the docket as not complying with the Orders of the Court in respect to timely listing of witnesses.

/s/Gene Carter

GENE CARTER

Senior U.S. District Court Judge

Dated at Portland, Maine this 18th day of September, 2006.

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