

**UNITED STATES TAX COURT**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 20217**

BRYCE THOMPSON OSOINACH &	)	
CAMEO MARIE WALL,	)	
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Petitioners,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Docket No. 3472-19S.
	)	
COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE,	)	
	)	
Respondent	)	

**ORDER**

Our order of May 11, 2020 (Doc. 15) “instruct[ed] counsel for the Commissioner to advise IRS Appeals that the Court hopes for the parties to make progress in settling the case within the next 90 days” and ordered “that, no later than July 30, 2020, the parties shall file either (a) a stipulated decision document or (b) a stipulation of settled issues (if they have settled some or all of the issues in this case), or if that is not possible, then a joint status report (or, if that is not expedient, then separate reports) explaining the status of the case and making their recommendations as to further proceedings.” Not by July 30, 2020, but instead on August 3, 2020, the Commissioner filed a status report (Doc. 16) that states: “Petitioners presented some documents to Appeals that required the Exam function to review. This has delayed the consideration of this case. Respondent will work with Appeals and Exam to make sure the documents are reviewed as quickly as possible given all the logistical challenges taking place at this time.... In order to make sure progress is made in the next few months, respondent suggests requesting an updated status of the case in October, 2020.”

Without meaning to overlook the logistical challenges and other difficulties that the parties are facing during the current pandemic or to be ungrateful for their work, the Court notes that the progress recently reported has been disappointing, and notes that counsel’s expectation (“ progress ... in the next few months” that

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might yield only an “updated status of the case in October, 2020”) is out of keeping with the Court’s expectation. It is therefore

ORDERED that this case is calendared for trial during the Court’s trial session beginning October 19, 2020, Phoenix, Arizona, to be conducted remotely. It is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of the court shall also serve on the parties: (1) a Notice of Remote Proceeding that shall contain comprehensive instructions on how to participate in the Court’s remote trial session beginning October 19, 2020, (2) a copy of the Standing Pretrial Order for the Court’s October 19, 2020, Phoenix, Arizona, trial session, and (3) a clinic letter for Phoenix, Arizona.

**(Signed) David Gustafson  
Judge**

Dated: Washington, D.C.  
August 4, 2020