

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

VALVE CORPORATION,

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01016-JNW

Plaintiff,

## MINUTE ORDER

V.

ROTHSCHILD ET AL.

## Defendants.

The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable  
Jamal N. Whitehead, United States District Judge:

On February 17, 2026, the jury rendered a verdict for Valve on its Patent Troll Prevention Act/Consumer Protection Act Claim and Breach of Contract claims. Dkt. No. 252. The jury also rendered an advisory verdict for Valve regarding the invalidity of Claim 7 of the '221 Patent due to obviousness. *Id.*

Now that the jury trial has concluded, the Court must set a case schedule for the remaining disputes between the Parties—namely Valve’s invalidity and unenforceability claims. The Court directs the parties to submit a Joint Status Report by no later than March 3, 2026, setting forth the following information:

- 1 1. What issues remain before the Court for consideration and how the
- 2 Parties envision those issues will be resolved (i.e., second jury trial, bench
- 3 trial, or motions practice).
- 4 2. Whether any remaining patent issues will require the Court to construe
- 5 any remaining claims. If so, the Parties are to propose a schedule for
- 6 necessary claim construction discovery, briefing, and hearing, which
- 7 should conform with the timing and substantive requirements set forth in
- 8 Local Patent Rules 130–135.
- 9 3. Whether Defendants seek to renew their motion for judgment as a matter
- 10 of law. If so, the Parties are to propose a briefing schedule on the motion
- 11 consistent with the deadlines set forth in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure
- 12 50.
- 13 4. Any other matters the Parties believe the Court should address in
- 14 preparing the case for further proceedings.

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16 Dated this 17th day of February 2026.

17 Joshua C. Lewis

18 Clerk

19 /s/Alejandro Pasaye Hernandez

20 Deputy Clerk