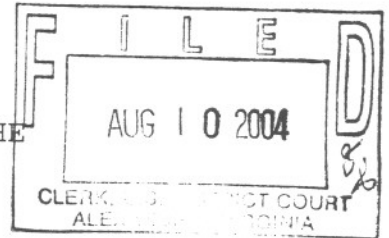


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

ALEXANDRIA DIVISION



SALT INSTITUTE and the CHAMBER )  
OF COMMERCE OF THE UNITED )  
STATES OF AMERICA, )

Plaintiffs. )

v. )

TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Secretary, )  
U.S. Department of Health and )  
Human Services )

Defendant. )

Case No. 1:04cr359 (GBL)

ORDER

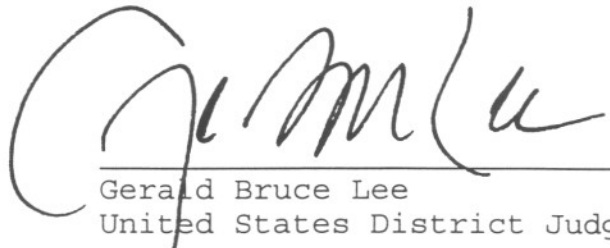
THIS MATTER is before the Court on Plaintiffs' Emergency Motion for Continuance of the Hearing and Leave to File Sur-Response. Plaintiffs seek a continuance from Defendant's Motion to Dismiss. It is hereby

ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion for Continuance and Leave to File Sur-Response is GRANTED. Plaintiffs are given leave to file their sur-reply, not to exceed five pages, and supporting affidavits on or before August 27, 2004.

ORDERED that Defendant's Motion to Dismiss will be placed on the docket for oral argument for Friday, September 3, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

The Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Order to  
counsel.

Entered this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2004.



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Gerald Bruce Lee  
United States District Judge

Alexandria, Virginia  
08/10/04