United States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 17-5024

September Term, 2016

1:16-cv-01493-ABJ

Filed On: February 17, 2017

United States of America, et al.,

Appellees

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Anthem, Inc.,

Appellant

Cigna Corporation,

Appellee

BEFORE: Rogers, Kavanaugh, and Millett, Circuit Judges

ORDER

Upon consideration of the emergency motion to expedite, the response thereto, the reply, and appellant's brief, it is

ORDERED that the emergency motion to expedite be granted. It is

FURTHER ORDERED that the following briefing schedule will apply:

Briefs for Amici Curiae

supporting Appellant February 24, 2017

Briefs for Appellees

(up to two briefs, one for governmental

entities and one for Cigna Corp.) March 13, 2017

Briefs for Amici Curiae

supporting Appellees March 17, 2017

Reply Brief for Appellant March 20, 2017

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It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that oral argument be scheduled before this panel on Friday, March 24, 2017, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

In view of the expedited nature of the appeal, no requests for extensions of time will be considered and standard word limitations will apply. Appellees are urged to coordinate the preparation of their briefs in an effort to limit any duplication.

To enhance the clarity of their briefs, the parties are urged to limit the use of abbreviations, including acronyms. While acronyms may be used for entities and statutes with widely recognized initials, briefs should not contain acronyms that are not widely known. See D.C. Circuit Handbook of Practice and Internal Procedures 41 (2017); Notice Regarding Use of Acronyms (D.C. Cir. Jan. 26, 2010).

The parties are directed to hand-deliver the paper copies of their submissions to the court by 12:00 noon on the date due.

A separate order will be issued regarding the allocation of time for argument.

Per Curiam