

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

CASE NO. 20-21808-Civ-SCOLA/TORRES

TODD BENJAMIN INTERNATIONAL,  
LTD., *et al*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GRANT THORNTON CAYMAN  
ISLANDS, *et al*,

Defendants.

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**DISCOVERY ORDER**

This matter was before the Court on discovery disputes raised at a discovery calendar held October 19, 2023. The Court considered the parties' arguments on several discovery issues in the case, focused primarily on Defendants' responses to interrogatory and production requests. The Court announced its rulings on the record of the hearing together with the supporting reasoning. This Order is entered to memorialize those rulings on the docket.

1. GT Ireland's Privilege Objections. As required by the Parties' Stipulation Regarding Production of Electronically Stored Information and Paper Documents [[ECF 111-1](#)], GT Ireland shall timely serve a privilege log within 30 days of a production. Additionally, in response to Request Nos. 10, 16-17, 19(h)-(i), 20-23, and 27-29, GT Ireland shall amend its written responses and objections within 30 days of a production of responsive documents to disclose whether any responsive

documents have been withheld pursuant to a claim of privilege. Such amended responses and objections shall comply with Local Rule 26.1(e)(2) and the Court's Order Setting Discovery Procedures [\[ECF 81\]](#).

2. Defendants' Objections to Request No. 17. The Court overrules Defendants' objections in part and sustains them in part. On or before November 18, 2023, Defendants shall produce policies, procedures, and manuals responsive to Request No. 17 but only to the extent they are relevant to or used for audits of hedge funds, like the funds at issue in this action. Defendants may designate documents produced hereunder as "CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY" pursuant to the Parties' Agreed Protective Order to Govern the Disclosure of Confidential Material [\[ECF 97\]](#).

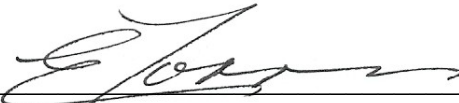
3. Defendants' Objections to Request No. 31. The Court overrules Defendants' objections to Request No. 31 but, at this juncture, does not compel production of responsive documents. On or before November 18, 2023, Defendants shall amend their responses and objections to Request No. 31 to indicate whether they have in their possession, custody, or control any particular auditing standards relevant to, or used for, audits of hedge funds applicable to them as Grant Thornton member firms. If GT Ireland or GT Cayman have responsive documents, their amended responses shall state whether such documents will be produced or identify all objections to producing such documents.

4. GT Cayman's Answers to Interrogatory Nos. 8-11. On or before November 18, 2023, GT Cayman shall provide narrative answers to Interrogatory

Nos. 8-11. If GT Cayman wishes to reference documents pursuant to Rule 33(d) in its answers, following a production, GT Cayman shall supplement its interrogatory answers with the applicable bates-stamp numbers of the specific records it is referring to in compliance with Rule 33(d).

5. GT Ireland's Answers to Interrogatory Nos. 8-11. The Court will disregard GT Ireland's reference to documents under Rule 33(d) in its answers to Interrogatory Nos. 8-11. If, in addition to its narrative answers, GT Ireland intends to rely on Rule 33(d) in its answers to these interrogatories, following a production, GT Ireland shall supplement its interrogatory answers with the applicable bates-stamp numbers of the specific records it is referring to in compliance with Rule 33(d).

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers at Miami, Florida this 31st day of October, 2023.

  
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EDWIN G. TORRES  
United States Magistrate Judge