

**U.S. District Court  
Eastern District of Missouri (Cape Girardeau)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:20-cv-00099-SNLJ  
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State of Missouri v. People's Republic of China et al  
Assigned to: Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr  
Cause: 28:1330 Breach of Contract

Date Filed: 04/21/2020  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 360 P.I.: Other  
Jurisdiction: Diversity

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**People's Republic of China**

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**Communist Party of China**

**Defendant**

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People's Republic of China**

**Defendant**

**Ministry of Emergency Management of  
the People's Republic of China**

**Defendant**

**Ministry of Civil Affairs of the People's  
Republic of China**

**Defendant**

**People's Government of the Hubei  
Province**

**Defendant**

**People's Government of Wuhan City**

**Defendant**

**Wuhan Institute of Virology**

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<b>Date Filed</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Docket Text</b>
04/21/2020	<a href="#">1</a>	COMPLAINT against defendant All Defendants with receipt number AMOEDC-7877114, in the amount of \$400 Non-Jury Demand,, filed by State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Civil Cover Sheet, # <a href="#">2</a> Original Filing Form, # <a href="#">3</a> Notice Regarding Service)(Smith, Justin) Modified on 4/21/2020 (CSG). (Entered: 04/21/2020)
04/21/2020		Case Opening Notification: Judge Assigned: U.S. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr. (CSG) (Entered: 04/21/2020)
04/21/2020	<a href="#">2</a>	NOTICE to the Court Regarding Service of Process, intent to obtain service as specified in 28 U.S.C. 1608: by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (CSG) (Entered: 04/21/2020)

07/16/2020	<a href="#">3</a>	ENTRY of Appearance by Dean John Sauer for Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/16/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">4</a>	NOTICE Filing Proposed Summons - Communist Party of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">5</a>	NOTICE Filing Proposed Summons to People's Republic of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">6</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to Chinese Academy of Sciences: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">7</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to Communist Party of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">8</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to Ministry of Civil Affairs of People's Republic of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">9</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to Ministry of Emergency Management of People's Republic of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">10</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to National Health Commission of People's Republic of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">11</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to People's Government of Hubei Province: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">12</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to People's Government of Wuhan City: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">13</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to People's Republic of China: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020	<a href="#">14</a>	NOTICE of Filing Proposed Summons to Wuhan Institute of Virology: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
07/17/2020		Summons Issued as to defendant: All Defendants. The summons was emailed to Dean John Sauer at john.sauer@ago.mo.gov. Summons issued in duplicate, with alternate addresses for defendants: Communist Party of China and People's Republic of China.(CMH) (Entered: 07/17/2020)
09/25/2020	<a href="#">15</a>	MOTION to File Amicus Brief by Amicus Lawyers for Upholding International Law. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Attachment Memo in Support of Motion for Leave, # <a href="#">2</a> Attachment Proposed Order Granting Motion for Leave, # <a href="#">3</a> Attachment Amicus Brief of Lawyers for Upholding International Law)(Gunn, Amy) (Entered: 09/25/2020)
11/30/2020	16	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">15</a> MOTION to File Amicus Brief by Amicus Lawyers for Upholding International Law. (Attachments: # 1 Attachment Memo in Support of Motion for Leave, # 2 Attachment Proposed Order Granting Motion for Leave, # 3 Attachment Amicus Brief of Lawyers for Upholding International Law)(Gunn, Amy) filed by Lawyers for Upholding International Law ; ORDERED GRANTING there being no objection thereto. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 11/30/20. (CMH) (Entered: 11/30/2020)

11/30/2020	<a href="#">17</a>	AMICUS BRIEF re <a href="#">1</a> Complaint, by Amicus Lawyers for Upholding International Law. (CMH) (Entered: 11/30/2020)
02/12/2021	<a href="#">18</a>	MOTION to Intervene, MOTION for Preliminary Injunction by Intervenor Plaintiff Jeffrey Cutler. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Addendum 1, # <a href="#">2</a> Addendum 2 - part1, # <a href="#">3</a> Addendum 2 - part2, # <a href="#">4</a> Addendum 2 - part3, # <a href="#">5</a> Addendum 2 - part4, # <a href="#">6</a> Addendum 2 - part5, # <a href="#">7</a> Text of Proposed Order, # <a href="#">8</a> Envelope)(MRS) Modified on 5/11/2021 (CSG). (Entered: 02/18/2021)
03/08/2021	<a href="#">19</a>	NOTICE by Plaintiff State of Missouri <i>Plaintiff's Motion to Authorize Alternative Methods of Service Under 28 U.S.C. Section 1608 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4</i> (Sauer, Dean) Modified on 3/10/2021 (CMH). (Entered: 03/08/2021)
03/29/2021	<a href="#">20</a>	MOTION to Intervene, MOTION for Preliminary Injunction by Intervenor Plaintiff Jeffrey Cutler. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Addendum Part 1 of 4, # <a href="#">2</a> Addendum Part 2 of 4, # <a href="#">3</a> Addendum Part 3 of 4, # <a href="#">4</a> Addendum Part 4 of 4, # <a href="#">5</a> Proposed Order for Summary Judgment, # <a href="#">6</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Entered: 03/29/2021)
05/11/2021	<a href="#">21</a>	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER re: <a href="#">18</a> and <a href="#">20</a> MOTIONS to Intervene MOTION for Preliminary Injunction filed by Intervenor Plaintiff Jeffrey Cutler. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Jeffrey Cutler's motions [#18] and [#20] are DENIED. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 5/11/21. (CSG) (Main Document 21 replaced on 5/11/2021) (CSG). (Entered: 05/11/2021)
05/11/2021	<a href="#">22</a>	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER re: <a href="#">19</a> MOTION filed by Plaintiff State of Missouri. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's motion to authorize alternative methods of service [#19] is GRANTED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff may serve defendants the Communist Party of China, the Wuhan Institute of Virology, and the Chinese Academy of Sciences by providing translations into simplified Chinese of the Complaint and Summons by email at publicly available email addresses provided by those organizations; and IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall coordinate with plaintiff's counsel and international process server to receive and submit Missouri's service packet to the U.S. Department of State for service through diplomatic channels on defendants the People's Republic of China, National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China, Ministry of Emergency Management of the People's Republic of China, Ministry of Civil Affairs of the People's Republic of China, People's Government of Hubei Province, and People's Government of Wuhan City pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1608(a)(4). Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 5/11/21. (CSG) (Entered: 05/11/2021)
05/11/2021		ORDER RECEIPT: (see receipt) Docket No: 21,22. Tue May 11 16:51:17 CDT 2021 (Gould, Cathy) (Entered: 05/11/2021)
05/18/2021	<a href="#">23</a>	NOTICE Proof of Service on Defendants Communist Party of China, Chinese Academy of Sciences, and Wuhan Institute of Virology: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit B, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit C, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit D, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit E, # <a href="#">6</a> Exhibit F)(Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 05/18/2021)
06/11/2021	<a href="#">24</a>	NOTICE Letter to Clerk of the Court: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/11/2021	<a href="#">25</a>	***REMARK - At the instruction of the Office of the Attorney General of Missouri, Service, as documented in <a href="#">24</a> NOTICE Letter to Clerk of the Court: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean), delivered to the U.S. Postal Service, Certified Mail Receipt received. (CMH) (CMH). (Entered: 06/11/2021)


08/09/2021	<a href="#">26</a>	MOTION for Entry of Clerk's Default against Defendants Communist Party of China, Chinese Academy of Sciences, and Wuhan Institute of Virology by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 08/09/2021)
08/10/2021		***REMARK - Motion for Entry of Clerk's Default Judgment forwarded to the Clerk of the Court/Chief Deputy for ruling. (CMH) (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/11/2021	<a href="#">27</a>	MOTION for Reconsideration re <a href="#">21</a> Memorandum & Order, by Intervenor Plaintiff Jeffrey Cutler. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Addendum (1), # <a href="#">2</a> Addendu (2), # <a href="#">3</a> Proposed Summary Judgment, # <a href="#">4</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Entered: 08/11/2021)
08/12/2021	28	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">27</a> MOTION for Reconsideration re <a href="#">21</a> Memorandum & Order, by Intervenor Plaintiff Jeffrey Cutler. (Attachments: # 1 Addendum (1), # 2 Addendu (2), # 3 Proposed Summary Judgment, # 4 Envelope)(CMH) filed by Jeffrey Cutler ; ORDERED DENYING AS FRIVOLOUS.. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 08/12/2021. (CMH) (Entered: 08/12/2021)
08/12/2021		ORDER RECEIPT: (see receipt) Docket No: 28. Thu Aug 12 15:08:58 CDT 2021 (Hency, Christy) (Entered: 08/12/2021)
08/16/2021	<a href="#">29</a>	Clerk's ENTRY OF DEFAULT as to Defendants Chinese Academy of Sciences, Communist Party of China, Wuhan Institute of Virology: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs Motion for Entry of Clerk's Default against Defendants Communist Party of China, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and the Wuhan Institute of Virology [ECF No. 26] is GRANTED and the default of said defendants is hereby entered. (CMH) (Entered: 08/16/2021)
08/16/2021	<a href="#">30</a>	***REMARK - Clerk's Entry of Default as to Defendants Chinese Academy of Sciences, Communist Party of China, and Wuhan Institute of Virology at, emailed to the addresses listed on the Notice Proof of Service; kf@people.cn for Communist Party of China, cas_en@case.cn for Chinese Academy of Sciences, and cas_en@case.cn for Wuhan Institute of Virology. (CMH) (CMH). (Entered: 08/16/2021)
09/02/2021	<a href="#">31</a>	NOTICE Plaintiff's Motion for Authorization to Seek Discovery on its Claims Against Defaulting Defendants Communist Party of China, Chinese Academy of Sciences, and Wuhan Institute of Virology: by Plaintiff State of Missouri (Sauer, Dean) Modified on 9/3/2021 (MRS). (Entered: 09/02/2021)
09/15/2021	<a href="#">32</a>	MOTION for Leave to file Amicus Brief by Amicus The China Society of Private International Law. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Memorandum in Support of Motion for Leave, # <a href="#">2</a> Proposed Order Granting Motion for Leave, # <a href="#">3</a> Amicus Brief of The China Society of Private International Law, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit A to Amicus Brief)(Kinder, Jacqueline) (Entered: 09/15/2021)
10/15/2021	<a href="#">33</a>	ORDER GRANTING THE CHINA SOCIETY OF PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW LEAVE TO FILE AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF re <a href="#">32</a> MOTION for Leave to file Amicus Brief filed by The China Society of Private International Law: Upon this Court's review and full consideration of the Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief in Opposition to Plaintiff The State of Missouri's Complaint, and the accompanying Memorandum of Law, filed by The China Society of Private International Law, it is hereby ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED, and the attached proposed Amicus Curiae Brief shall be docketed. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 10/15/2021. (CMH) (Entered: 10/15/2021)
10/15/2021	<a href="#">34</a>	AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF by Amicus The China Society of Private International Law. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A)(CMH) (Entered: 10/15/2021)

11/02/2021	<a href="#">35</a>	NOTICE by Plaintiff State of Missouri re <a href="#">34</a> Amicus Brief <i>Memorandum Regarding the Court's Subject-Matter Jurisdiction Responding to the Amicus Brief of the China Society of Private International Law Suggesting Sua Sponte Dismissal for Lack of Jurisdiction</i> (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibit 1)(Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 11/02/2021)
11/22/2021	 <a href="#">36</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed People's Government of the Hubei Province served on 10/7/2021, answer due 12/6/2021. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Cover Letter, # <a href="#">2</a> Complaint, # <a href="#">3</a> Complaint - Translated, # <a href="#">4</a> Notice of Suit, # <a href="#">5</a> Notice of Suit - Translated, # <a href="#">6</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Entered: 11/29/2021)
11/22/2021	 <a href="#">38</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed Ministry of Civil Affairs of the People's Republic of China served on 10/7/2021, answer due 12/6/2021. (CMH) (Additional attachment(s) added on 11/29/2021: # <a href="#">1</a> Complaint, # <a href="#">2</a> Complaint - Translated, # <a href="#">3</a> Notice of Suit, # <a href="#">4</a> Notice of Suit - Translated, # <a href="#">5</a> Envelope) (CMH). Modified on 11/29/2021 (CMH). (Additional attachment(s) added on 11/30/2021: # <a href="#">6</a> Cover Letter) (CMH). (Main Document 38 replaced on 11/30/2021) (CMH). (Entered: 11/29/2021)
11/22/2021	 <a href="#">37</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed Ministry of Emergency Management of the People's Republic of China served on 10/7/2021, answer due 12/6/2021. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Cover Letter, # <a href="#">2</a> Complaint, # <a href="#">3</a> Complaint - Translated, # <a href="#">4</a> Notice of Suit, # <a href="#">5</a> Notice of Suit - Translated, # <a href="#">6</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Main Document 37 replaced on 11/29/2021) (CMH). (Entered: 11/29/2021)
11/22/2021	 <a href="#">39</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China served on 10/7/2021, answer due 12/6/2021. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Cover Letter, # <a href="#">2</a> Complaint, # <a href="#">3</a> Complaint - Translated, # <a href="#">4</a> Notice of Suit, # <a href="#">5</a> Notice of Suit - Translated, # <a href="#">6</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Entered: 11/29/2021)
11/22/2021	 <a href="#">40</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed People's Republic of China served on 10/7/2021, answer due 12/6/2021. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Cover Letter, # <a href="#">2</a> Complaint, # <a href="#">3</a> Complaint - Translated, # <a href="#">4</a> Notice of Suit, # <a href="#">5</a> Notice of Suit - Translated, # <a href="#">6</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Entered: 11/29/2021)
11/22/2021	 <a href="#">41</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed People's Government of Wuhan City served on 10/7/2021, answer due 12/6/2021. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Cover Letter, # <a href="#">2</a> Complaint, # <a href="#">3</a> Complaint - Translated, # <a href="#">4</a> Notice of Suit, # <a href="#">5</a> Notice of Suit - Translated, # <a href="#">6</a> Envelope)(CMH) (Entered: 11/29/2021)
12/06/2021	<a href="#">42</a>	NOTICE by Amicus The China Society of Private International Law re <a href="#">35</a> Notice (Other), <i>Memorandum in Opposition to Plaintiffs Memorandum Regarding the Courts Subject-Matter Jurisdiction</i> (Kinder, Jacqueline) (Entered: 12/06/2021)
12/08/2021	<a href="#">43</a>	MOTION for Entry of Clerk's Default against <i>Defendants</i> by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 12/08/2021)
12/09/2021		***REMARK: Motion for Clerks Default forwarded to the Clerk of Court/Chief Deputy for ruling. (CMH) (Entered: 12/09/2021)
12/15/2021	<a href="#">44</a>	Clerk's ENTRY OF DEFAULT as to Defendants Ministry of Civil Affairs of the People's Republic of China, Ministry of Emergency Management of the People's Republic of China, National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China, People's Government of Wuhan City, People's Government of the Hubei Province, People's Republic of China: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs Motions for Entry of Clerk's Default [ECF No. 43] against Defendants (1) the People's Republic of China, (2) the Peoples Government of the Hubei Province, (3) the Ministry of Civil Affairs of the People's Republic of China, (4) the Ministry of

		Emergency Management of the People's Republic of China, (5) the National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China, and (6) the People's Government of Wuhan City is GRANTED, and the default of said defendants is hereby entered. (CMH) (Entered: 12/15/2021)
12/21/2021	<a href="#">45</a>	MOTION for Hearing by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Text of Proposed Order)(Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 12/21/2021)
01/04/2022	<a href="#">46</a>	MOTION for Leave to File Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief in Opposition to Plaintiff The State of Missouri's Complaint Against Defendants The People's Republic of China, et al. by Defendant People's Republic of China. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Supplement)(Gunn, Amy) (Entered: 01/04/2022)
01/06/2022	<a href="#">47</a>	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER re: <a href="#">46</a> MOTION for Leave to File Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief in Opposition to Plaintiff The State of Missouri's Complaint Against Defendants The People's Republic of China, et al. filed by Defendant People's Republic of China, <a href="#">45</a> MOTION for Hearing filed by Plaintiff State of Missouri, <a href="#">31</a> MOTION for Leave to filed by Plaintiff State of Missouri: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff and amici must file any additional briefing, in accordance with this Memorandum and Order, no later than February 7, 2022. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff's Motion for Authorization to Seek Discovery on its Claims Against Defaulting Defendants [Doc. #31] is DENIED without prejudice. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiffs Motion for Trial Date and Entry of Case Management and Scheduling Order [Doc. #45] is DENIED without prejudice. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that amicus curiae Lawyers for Upholding International Law's motion for leave to file supplemental amicus curiae brief [Doc. #46] is GRANTED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that default proceedings in this matter are STAYED until further order from the Court. ( Response to Court due by 2/7/2022.)Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 01/06/22. (CMH) (Entered: 01/06/2022)
02/03/2022	<a href="#">48</a>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File ;Extension to file the following: Supplemental Briefs ;Proposed extension date 02-14-2022 by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 02/03/2022)
02/03/2022	49	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">48</a> MOTION for Extension of Time to File ;Extension to file the following: Supplemental Briefs ;Proposed extension date 02-14-2022 by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) filed by State of Missouri ; ORDERED GRANTING ( Response to Court due by 2/14/2022.). Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 2/3/22. (CMH) (Entered: 02/03/2022)
02/14/2022	<a href="#">50</a>	AMICUS BRIEF <i>Final Brief of Amicus Curiae Lawyers for Upholding International Law in Opposition to Plaintiff The State of Missouri's Complaint Against Defendants The People's Republic of China, et al.</i> by Defendant People's Republic of China. (Gunn, Amy) (Entered: 02/14/2022)
02/14/2022	<a href="#">51</a>	MEMORANDUM re <a href="#">47</a> Memorandum & Order,,,,, by Amicus The China Society of Private International Law. (Kinder, Jacqueline) (Entered: 02/14/2022)
02/14/2022	<a href="#">52</a>	DECLARATION filed by Amicus The China Society of Private International Law . (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit 1)(Kinder, Jacqueline) (Entered: 02/14/2022)
02/14/2022	<a href="#">53</a>	MOTION for Leave to File in Excess of Page Limitation by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 02/14/2022)
02/14/2022	<a href="#">54</a>	RESPONSE TO COURT ORDER by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 02/14/2022)



02/15/2022	55	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">53</a> MOTION for Leave to File in Excess of Page Limitation by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) filed by State of Missouri ; ORDERED GRANTED. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 2/15/2022. (JMC) (Entered: 02/15/2022)
02/17/2022	<a href="#">56</a>	MOTION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) Modified on 2/17/2022 (JMC). (Entered: 02/17/2022)
05/10/2022	<a href="#">57</a>	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff shall show cause no later than May 20, 2022, why this matter should not be transferred. Response to Court due by 5/20/2022. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 05/10/2022. (CMH) (Entered: 05/10/2022)
05/20/2022	<a href="#">58</a>	MOTION for Leave to Exceed the Page Limit for Response to Show Cause Order Regarding Venue by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 05/20/2022)
05/20/2022	<a href="#">59</a>	RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE re <a href="#">57</a> Order to Show Cause, by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 05/20/2022)
05/23/2022	60	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">58</a> MOTION for Leave to Exceed the Page Limit for Response to Show Cause Order Regarding Venue by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) filed by State of Missouri ; ORDERED GRANTING. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 05/23/22. (CMH) (Entered: 05/23/2022)
07/08/2022	<a href="#">61</a>	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiffs complaint is DISMISSED in its entirety for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 07/08/2022. (CMH) (Entered: 07/08/2022)
07/08/2022	<a href="#">62</a>	ORDER OF DISMISSAL. In accordance with the Memorandum and Order issued today, this matter is hereby DISMISSED with prejudice. Signed by District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 07/08/22. (CMH) (Entered: 07/08/2022)
07/08/2022	<a href="#">63</a>	NOTICE OF APPEAL as to <a href="#">62</a> Order of Dismissal (case - Stipulation of Dismissal), <a href="#">61</a> Memorandum & Order by Plaintiff State of Missouri. Filing fee \$ 505, receipt number AMOEDC-9389323. (Entered: 07/08/2022)
07/13/2022	<a href="#">64</a>	NOTIFICATION OF APPEAL AND NOA SUPPLEMENT by clerk to USCA regarding <a href="#">62</a> Order of Dismissal (case - Stipulation of Dismissal). Notice of Appeal filed on 07/08/2022 by Plaintiff State of Missouri. NOTIFICATION TO COUNSEL AND PRO SE PARTY: FILE REQUEST FOR TRANSCRIPT WITH DISTRICT COURT CLERKS OFFICE.(CMH) (Entered: 07/13/2022)
07/14/2022	<a href="#">65</a>	Initial Notification from USCA for <a href="#">63</a> Notice of Appeal filed by State of Missouri USCA Appeal Number: 22-2495(CMH) (Entered: 07/14/2022)
07/14/2022	<a href="#">66</a>	Briefing Schedule from USCA for <a href="#">63</a> Notice of Appeal filed by State of Missouri USCA Appeal Number: 22-2495 (See attached document for all other deadlines.) (CMH) (Entered: 07/14/2022)
08/30/2022	<a href="#">67</a>	MOTION for Leave to File an Amicus Brief in Support of Affirmance by Amicus Lawyers for Upholding International Law. (Gunn, Amy) Modified on 2/14/2023 (JMC). (termed at the direction of chambers - motion pending before the 8th Circuit) (Entered: 08/30/2022)
01/03/2023	<a href="#">68</a>	ORDER of USCA as to <a href="#">63</a> Notice of Appeal filed by State of Missouri USCA Appeal #: 22-2495. The motion to withdraw as counsel filed by Mr. Justin D. Smith

		is granted. Mr. Justin D.Smith for Mr. Eric Stephen Schmitt has been granted leave to withdraw from this case.(MRS) (Entered: 01/03/2023)
01/10/2024	<a href="#">69</a>	OPINION from USCA re <a href="#">63</a> Notice of Appeal : USCA Appeal #: 22-2495 (JMC) (Entered: 01/10/2024)
01/10/2024	<a href="#">70</a>	USCA JUDGMENT as to <a href="#">63</a> Notice of Appeal filed by State of Missouri. <b>This is a preliminary judgment and/or opinion of U.S. Court of Appeals; jurisdiction is not recovered until the Mandate is issued by the U.S Court of Appeals.</b> (JMC) (Entered: 01/10/2024)
02/01/2024	<a href="#">71</a>	MANDATE of USCA as to <a href="#">63</a> Notice of Appeal filed by State of Missouri USCA #:22-2495 In accordance with the judgment and pursuant to the provisions of Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 41(a), the formal mandate is hereby issued in the above-styled matter. (JMC) (Entered: 02/01/2024)
02/01/2024	<a href="#">72</a>	ENTRY of Appearance by Samuel Charles Freedlund for Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 02/01/2024)
04/05/2024	<a href="#">73</a>	MOTION for Leave to Receive Case Management Order by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit 1 Proposed Case Management Order) (Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 04/05/2024)
04/10/2024	<a href="#">74</a>	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER - IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff State of Missouri ex rel. Andrew T. Bailey shall file a memorandum addressing the matters raised in this memorandum and order and advising how it will cure any defective service of process on defendants. Such memorandum shall be filed no later than April 30, 2024. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motion requesting a case management order will be held in abeyance pending resolution of the service issue. Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 4/10/24. (KJS) (Entered: 04/10/2024)
04/30/2024	<a href="#">75</a>	RESPONSE TO COURT ORDER re <a href="#">74</a> Memorandum & Order,, by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 04/30/2024)
05/23/2024	<a href="#">76</a>	CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER This case is assigned to Track: 2, Standard Bench Trial set for 12/9/2024 09:00 AM in Courtroom 4B - Cape before Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr.. Pretrial Compliance due by 11/8/2024. (SEE ORDER). Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 5/23/24. (MRS) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
05/23/2024		(Court only) ***Motions terminated: <a href="#">73</a> MOTION for Leave to Receive Case Management Order filed by State of Missouri. (MRS) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
10/29/2024	<a href="#">77</a>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File ;Extension to file the following: pretrial brief, list of witnesses, excerpts and written evidence by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 10/29/2024)
10/30/2024	78	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">77</a> MOTION for Extension of Time to File ;Extension to file the following: pretrial brief, list of witnesses, excerpts and written evidence by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Freedlund, Samuel) filed by State of Missouri ; ORDERED GRANTED ( Response to Court due by 11/22/2024.) Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 10/30/2024. (JMC) (Entered: 10/30/2024)

11/22/2024	<a href="#">79</a>	TRIAL BRIEF by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Attachment Combined Written Evidence Pt. 1 of 4, # <a href="#">2</a> Attachment Combined Written Evidence Pt. 2 of 4, # <a href="#">3</a> Attachment Combined Written Evidence Pt. 3 of 4, # <a href="#">4</a> Attachment Combined Written Evidence Pt. 4 of 4)(Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 11/22/2024)
12/02/2024	<a href="#">80</a>	Exhibit List <i>and Plaintiffs Trial Exhibits</i> by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit 1 - Expert Report, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit 2 - Government Report, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit 3 - Fact Sheet, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit 4- Government Report, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit 5 - Government Report, # <a href="#">6</a> Exhibit 6 - Government Report, # <a href="#">7</a> Exhibit 7 - Government Report, # <a href="#">8</a> Exhibit 8 - Government Report, # <a href="#">9</a> Exhibit 9 - Government Report, # <a href="#">10</a> Exhibit 10 - Government Report, # <a href="#">11</a> Exhibit 11 - Government Report, # <a href="#">12</a> Exhibit 12 - Press Release, # <a href="#">13</a> Exhibit 13 - WHO Report, # <a href="#">14</a> Exhibit 14 - Report by MO DHSS, # <a href="#">15</a> Exhibit 15 - Publicly Reported Data, # <a href="#">16</a> Exhibit 16 - Press Release, # <a href="#">17</a> Exhibit 17 - Press Release, # <a href="#">18</a> Exhibit 18 - Press Release, # <a href="#">19</a> Exhibit 19 - Government Report, # <a href="#">20</a> Exhibit 20 - Government Report, # <a href="#">21</a> Exhibit 21 - Government Press Release, # <a href="#">22</a> Exhibit 22 - Article, # <a href="#">23</a> Exhibit 23 - Article, # <a href="#">24</a> Exhibit 25 - Report, # <a href="#">25</a> Exhibit 25 - Report, # <a href="#">26</a> Exhibit 26 - Report, # <a href="#">27</a> Exhibit 27 - Article, # <a href="#">28</a> Exhibit 28 - Article, # <a href="#">29</a> Exhibit 29 - Article, # <a href="#">30</a> Exhibit 30 - Article, # <a href="#">31</a> Exhibit 31 - Article, # <a href="#">32</a> Exhibit 32 - Article, # <a href="#">33</a> Exhibit 33 - Article, # <a href="#">34</a> Exhibit 34 - Article, # <a href="#">35</a> Exhibit 35 - Article, # <a href="#">36</a> Exhibit 36 - Government Report, # <a href="#">37</a> Exhibit 37 - Government Statement, # <a href="#">38</a> Exhibit 38 - Report)(Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 12/02/2024)
12/05/2024	<a href="#">81</a>	MOTION to Continue FSIA DEFAULT HEARING AND FOR LEAVE TO SUPPLEMENT BRIEFING by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
12/05/2024	<a href="#">82</a>	ORDER granting <a href="#">81</a> Motion to Continue. Amended/Supplemental Pleadings due by 1/8/2025. Bench Trial reset for 1/13/2025 01:30 PM in Courtroom 4B - Cape before Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr.. Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 12/5/24. (MRS) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
12/05/2024	<a href="#">83</a>	MOTION to Withdraw as Attorney re attorney/firm Dean John Sauer by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
12/06/2024	84	Docket Text ORDER: Re: <a href="#">83</a> MOTION to Withdraw as Attorney re attorney/firm Dean John Sauer by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Sauer, Dean) filed by State of Missouri ; ORDERED GRANTED, Attorney Dean John Sauer terminated. Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 12/06/2024. (CMH) (Entered: 12/06/2024)
12/31/2024	<a href="#">85</a>	ENTRY of Appearance by Joshua M. Divine for Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Divine, Joshua) (Entered: 12/31/2024)
01/08/2025	<a href="#">86</a>	SCHEDULING ORDER: Bench Trial reset for 1/27/2025 01:30 PM in Courtroom 4B - Cape before Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr. Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 1/8/25. (MRS) (Entered: 01/08/2025)
01/08/2025	<a href="#">87</a>	TRIAL BRIEF - <i>Supplemental Trial Brief</i> by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Supplemental Expert Report)(Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 01/08/2025)
01/14/2025	<a href="#">88</a>	ORDER. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter is reset for bench trial on Monday, January 27, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in Courtroom 4B. Bench Trial set for 1/27/2025 02:00 PM in Courtroom 4B - Cape before Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr.. Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 01/14/2025. (CMH) (Entered: 01/14/2025)

01/27/2025	89	ELECTRONIC MINUTE ENTRY (no pdf attached) for proceedings held before Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr: Bench Trial held on 1/27/2025. ; day 1. Default matter as defendant does not appear. Exhibits by Plaintiff are admitted. Case taken under advisement, Bench Trial completed on 1/27/2025. Plaintiff to provide brief and proposed judgment within 30 days. (Court Reporter:Alison Garagnani, Alison_Garagnani@moed.uscourts.gov, 573-331-8832) (proceedings started: 2:01) (proceedings ended: 2:40) (Deputy Clerk: MSchaefer)(Appearance for Plaintiff: Samuel Freedlund/Joshua Divine)(Appearance for Defendant: n/a) (MRS) (Entered: 01/27/2025)
02/26/2025	<a href="#">90</a>	TRIAL BRIEF by Plaintiff State of Missouri. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Attachment Proposed Order)(Freedlund, Samuel) (Entered: 02/26/2025)
02/27/2025	<a href="#">91</a>	MOTION for Leave to File Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief by Amicus The China Society of Private International Law. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Attachment)(Kinder, Jacqueline) (Entered: 02/27/2025)
02/28/2025	<a href="#">92</a>	ORDER: The Amicus Curiae The China Society of Private International Law's motion for leave to file supplemental amicus curiae brief [Doc. 91] is GRANTED.Plaintiff is hereby GRANTED until March 6, 2025 by which to file any response to the supplemental brief of the amicus curiae. Finally, additional briefing, to be filed by March 6, 2025, is HEREBY ORDERED on the following matters: 1. Whether plaintiff's Count IV, which is addressed to negligence and a common law hoarding claim, can also encompass statutory causes of action for state and federal antitrust violations. 2. The source of the duty alleged for Count IV's negligence action. ( Response to Court due by 3/6/2025.). Signed by Sr. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr on 2/28/2025. (JMC) (Entered: 02/28/2025)