

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

Case No. 11-21061-Civ-COOKE/TURNOFF

HARRY OLSON,

Plaintiff

vs.

CARNIVAL CORPORATION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

**ORDER STAYING CASE PENDING
COMPLETION OF LIMITED JURISDICTIONAL DISCOVERY**

THIS MATTER is before me on Plaintiff Harry Olson's ("Olson"), as Personal Representative of the Estate of Carol Olson, Unopposed Motion to Stay the Case Pending Completion of Jurisdictional Discovery. (ECF No. 26). Olson's complaint alleges that his deceased wife, Carol Olson, was fatally injured while on a shore excursion owned and operated by Defendant Reef Tours, Ltd., in Freeport, Grand Bahamas. (ECF No. 1). The complaint alleges that Defendants Carnival Corporation and Reef Tours, Ltd. are liable under theories of negligence, apparent agency, joint venture, third party beneficiary and violation of Bahamian law through the Death on the High Seas Act, 46 U.S.C. § 764. (*Id.*).

On May 11, 2011, Reef Tours, Ltd., filed a Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Subject Matter Jurisdiction. (ECF No. 14). In response, Olson argues that jurisdictional discovery may be helpful in ascertaining whether Reef Tours, Ltd. does indeed have the requisite contacts with Florida to assert jurisdiction. Having reviewed the pleadings and the relevant legal authorities, I hereby **ORDER and ADJUDGE** that Olson's Unopposed Motion to Stay the Case Pending Completion of Jurisdictional Discovery (ECF No. 26), is **GRANTED**. This case is **STAYED**, with the exception of limited jurisdictional discovery. The Parties may engage in discovery limited to the issues

appropriate to a personal jurisdiction determination for 120 days following the date of this Order.

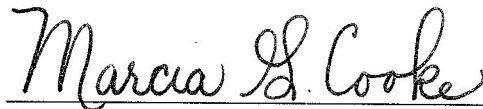
The Court defers ruling on Reef Tours, Ltd.'s Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 14), until the

completion of the jurisdictional period. Unless otherwise ordered, Olson shall respond to the

pending Motion to Dismiss by **Wednesday, October 19, 2011**. The Clerk is directed to **CLOSE**

this case for *statistical purposes only*. Any party may file to lift the stay and re-open the case if and when appropriate.

DONE and ORDERED in chambers at Miami, Florida, this 8th day of June 2011.



MARCIA G. COOKE

United States District Judge

Copies furnished to:

William C. Turnoff, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Counsel of record