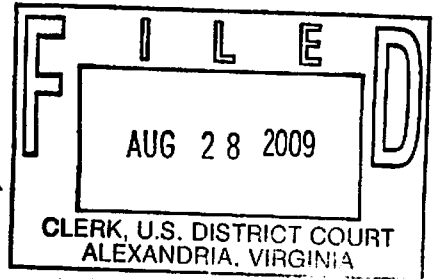


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
Alexandria Division



IN RE: BLACKWATER ALIEN TORT )  
CLAIMS ACT LITIGATION )  
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No. 1:09cv615  
No. 1:09cv616  
No. 1:09cv617  
No. 1:09cv618  
No. 1:09cv645

**ORDER**

These five cases, consolidated for purposes of pretrial motions and discovery, came before the Court on defendants' motions to dismiss.

For the reasons stated from the Bench,

It is hereby **ORDERED** that a ruling on defendants' motion is **DEFERRED** pending supplemental briefing.

It is further **ORDERED** that the parties are **DIRECTED** to file simultaneous supplemental memoranda in accordance with the instructions from the Bench by 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 4, 2009.

Unless otherwise ordered, the Court will thereafter decide the motion on the papers without further oral argument.

The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to all counsel of record.

Alexandria, Virginia  
August 28, 2009

  
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T. S. Ellis, III  
United States District Judge