

opposing party has unjustifiably failed to produce the discovery. Plaintiff's motion includes none of these elements.

Additionally, Defendant Gagne's objections to Plaintiff's interrogatories are proper under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26, also attached to this Ruling. Rule 26 limits the scope of discovery to "any nonprivileged matter that is relevant to any party's claim or defense and proportional to the needs of the case, considering the importance of the issues at stake in the action, the amount in controversy, the parties' relative access to relevant information, the parties' resources, the importance of the discovery in resolving the issues, and whether the burden or expense of the proposed discovery outweighs its likely benefit." A party may object to discovery requests on the basis that they are outside the scope allowed by Rule 26. Defendant Gagne has done so here, properly objecting to certain interrogatories as overbroad and therefore not proportional to the needs of the case or irrelevant to the claims and defenses in this case.

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff's Motion to Compel, [Dkt. 29], is DENIED. Plaintiff's request for an award of expenses associated with his motion is also DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED

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Hon. Vanessa L. Bryant
United States District Judge**

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut: September 18, 2018