

PROCEDURE FOR CIVIL MOTIONS

This case has been assigned to the United States District Judge Henry Coke Morgan, Jr.

Agreed motions for extensions of time will not be granted without good cause shown. The fact the parties are contemplating mediation or settlement is not good cause.

Pursuant to Local Rule 7, a brief shall accompany all motions (unless excepted by the rule). Courtesy copies of briefs are not required unless the filing, including exhibits, exceeds fifty (50) pages.

After all briefs are filed, it is incumbent upon counsel for the moving party to confer with opposing counsel and advise the Clerk's Office by "Notice" when a ruling or determination based upon the briefs alone (without oral argument) is desired. See Local Rule 26 for discovery motion procedures. Unless otherwise directed by the District Judge (for example, by an order referring the matter to the Magistrate Judge), all pretrial motions and discovery issues shall be directed to Judge Morgan.

Requests for oral argument, and requests for a decision upon written submissions, should be electronically filed with the Clerk's Office. If Judge Morgan determines he will allow oral argument, counsel will be notified by the Judge's courtroom deputy and a date and time will be selected.

Absent a request for a hearing or a decision, the motions will be referred automatically to Judge Morgan for either a decision or withdrawal pursuant to Local Rule 7(E).