

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

GENERAL ORDER 24-0012

Clerk's Office Operations Pursuant to the Magistrate Judge Periodic Calendar Adjustment Program Pursuant to IOP 19 for the Western Division

1. Criminal Cases

- a. **Criminal Duty:** The magistrate judge on periodic calendar adjustment will not be on criminal duty. Should a matter arise in which the magistrate judge in the Western Division is conflicted, the standard operating procedure for assigning Western Division criminal cases is to be used.
- b. **Designations:** The magistrate judge that is on periodic calendar adjustment will not be designated in any new criminal case until after the matter has resulted in an initial appearance, detention hearing, and arraignment. If a matter was being heard by a magistrate judge in the Eastern Division due to a conflict, that Eastern Division magistrate judge will oversee the case until after arraignment. After the arraignment hearing, the case is to be reassigned to the magistrate judge in the Western Division that does not have a conflict.
- c. **Existing Cases:** Existing criminal cases will continue as previously assigned.

2. Civil Cases

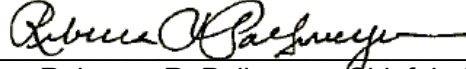
a. Designations

- i. The magistrate judge that is on periodic calendar adjustment will not be designated in any new civil matter during the periodic calendar adjustment.
 - ii. For all new civil cases filed in the Western Division, except for cases filed under Nature of Suits (Social Security) 861-865, the magistrate judge that is assigned to the Western Division and not on the periodic calendar adjustment will be the designated magistrate judge.
 - iii. For all new cases filed under Nature of Suits (Social Security) 861-865, the wheel that is normally used to designate a magistrate judge will be used. If the magistrate judge that is on periodic calendar adjustment card is randomly selected, that case will instead be randomly designated to a magistrate judge in the Eastern Division. Each magistrate judge in the Eastern Division will be randomly designated a case before receiving a second designation.
- b. **Referrals:** For existing civil cases, referrals will continue as previously assigned.

- c. **Consents:** For any matter in which the magistrate judge on periodic calendar adjustment was designated, parties are free to consent to proceed before that magistrate judge notwithstanding the periodic calendar adjustment.

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FOR THE COURT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca R. Pallmeyer", written over a horizontal line.

Hon Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 1st day of May 2024