



**MAGISTRATE JUDGE MARIA VALDEZ**  
219 S. DEARBORN ST., COURTROOM 1041  
CHICAGO, IL 60604  
TELEPHONE: 312-435-5690 x3  
FAX: 312-554-8941

### **INITIAL STATUS REPORT**

Upon assignment of cases to Magistrate Judge Maria Valdez by consent or referral, a status report date may be set by means of a minute order. The joint status report shall generally not exceed three pages and shall contain the following information:

#### **CONSENT CASES:**

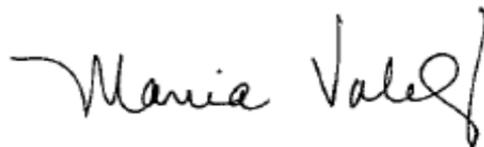
1. A brief summary of the claims asserted in the complaint and any counterclaim or third-party complaint.
2. A brief statement of the relief sought, including an itemization of damages.
3. The status of any pending motions.
4. Any current dates for discovery cut-off, pretrial order or trial. If none have been set, attach to the initial status report a Rule 16(b) scheduling order.
5. A description of the discovery that has been completed, including the specific number of depositions that have been taken, and a description of the future discovery that is contemplated.
6. Whether a jury has been demanded.
7. The status of settlement discussions, if any.

The caption in consent cases should list only the name of the magistrate judge, **not** the name of the district judge formerly assigned to the case.

**REFERRAL CASES:**

1. A brief summary of the claims asserted in the complaint and any counterclaim or third-party complaint.
2. A brief statement of the relief sought, including an itemization of damages.
3. A brief description of the matter referred to the magistrate judge or alternatively, attach a copy of the referral order.
4. The status of any briefing on the matters referred.
5. If the case has been referred for discovery matters, a description of the discovery that has been completed and the future discovery contemplated, including identifying: (a) the depositions that have been taken; (b) the depositions that have been scheduled and the dates set; and (c) any other discovery contemplated.
6. Whether the parties will consent to trial before a magistrate judge.
7. Any dates or deadlines established by the district judge for discovery cut-off, submission of pretrial order or trial. If no discovery dates have been set, attach to the initial status report a completed Rule 16(b) scheduling order.
8. The status of settlement negotiations, if any.
9. In referral cases, list both the district judge and the magistrate judge in the caption and circle the name of the judge for whom the filing is intended.

**ENTERED:**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maria Valdez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "M".

8/28/2024

\_\_\_\_\_  
**HON. MARIA VALDEZ**  
**United States Magistrate Judge**