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If service of the complaint is not reflected on the docket within 90 days of issuance of the summons, the Court will issue an order to show cause to the plaintiff. Once properly served, the Commissioner has 60 days to file an answer and the administrative record/transcript.

Upon the filing of the transcript and answer, the Court will issue a scheduling order setting the deadlines for the filing of motions, responses, and the reply. Requests for adjournment of those days must show good cause. A proposed order is not needed.

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1. Citations to the docket except for the administrative record or exhibits

Motions or briefs shall cite to the docket using the following format: docket number, and page ID number. Presently, documents filed in CM/ECF with our Court have headers at the top of each page that look like this:

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