Discovery (Civil)

The parties are encouraged to conduct their Rule 26(f) discovery conference before the case management and scheduling conference established by the Court. The disclosure requirements of Rule 26(a)(1) generally will be required by the Court 14 days after the case management and scheduling conference. Dates for disclosure of expert information contemplated by Rule 26(a)(2) generally will be established at the case management and scheduling conference. The parties are encouraged to summarize discovery disputes and email a joint letter to the Court, schedule a telephone conference, and discuss the issue before filing discovery motions. Discovery motions generally are referred to the magistrate judge for disposition. Once a motion has been referred, all communication regarding that motion should be directed to the magistrate judge's chambers.