

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF COOK)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
LAW DIVISION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 11-2
NOTICE OF "PILOT PROJECT" FOR SIMULTANEOUS DISCLOSURE
OF SUPREME COURT RULE 213(F)(3) WITNESSES IN CAT. 2 CASES

Judge William D. Maddux announces the commencement of a "Pilot Project" for simultaneous disclosure of Supreme Court Rule 213(f)(3), effective September 1, 2011:

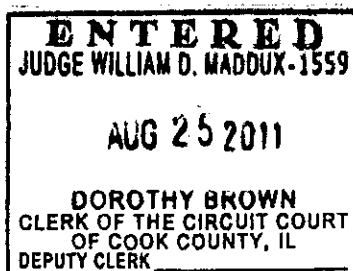
A. GUIDELINES

1. The "Pilot Project" shall only apply to Category 2 cases (28-month discovery), and shall be uniformly utilized for those cases pending on all nine (9) Law Division motion calendars. The "Pilot Project" shall remain pending for a period of nine (9) months, through June 1, 2012. It is anticipated that the application of this "Pilot Project" will impact only a limited number of Category 2 cases, based upon the time period for the project;
2. All disclosures of Supreme Court Rule 213(f)(3) witnesses shall be made simultaneously by all parties during the same 60-day period set forth in the applicable case management order;
3. Following the simultaneous disclosures, the parties may have thirty (30) days to supplement their own disclosures to address any new opinions and/or issues raised in the opposing party's disclosures;
4. Depositions of all Supreme Court Rule 213(f)(3) experts shall be completed within sixty (60) days thereafter.

B. "PILOT PROJECT" STUDY COMMITTEE

1. A "Pilot Project" Study Committee is being formed and will be in place throughout the entire pendency of the "Pilot Project;"
2. The Study Committee shall consist of representatives from the plaintiffs' bar, the defense bar, and the insurance industry;
3. The Study Committee shall provide input concerning the "Pilot Project" and will monitor the progress of the project on an on-going basis;
4. At the end of the "Pilot Project," the Study Committee shall make a determination as to the option of a continuation, modification or termination of the project guidelines, based upon all input and reaction received.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Order be spread upon the records of this court.
Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 25th day of August, 2011



ENTERED:

William D. Maddux
WILLIAM D. MADDUX
Presiding Judge, Law Division