

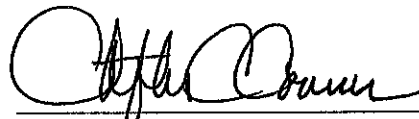
**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE: :
: STANDING ORDER 19-06
PROCEDURES FOR ASSIGNMENT :
OF CASES THAT HAVE BEEN FILED :
AGAINST A JUDGE, MAGISTRATE :
JUDGE, CLERK OF COURT, OR :
EMPLOYEE OF THE COURT :

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT a civil action filed against a judge or magistrate judge in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, shall be assigned to a District Court Judge in a vicinage other than where the named defendant judge or magistrate judge maintains his or her permanent duty station. If the assignee judge determines that the suit is frivolous or that judicial immunity is plainly applicable, the assignee judge need not recuse. If the assignee judge does not find the suit to be frivolous or that judicial immunity is a complete defense, then the assignee judge shall notify the Harrisburg Division Supervisor and the Scranton Chief Deputy Clerk, who shall follow the Local Policy for intra-circuit assignment to a judge outside of the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT a civil action filed against the Clerk of Court or an employee of the court, shall be assigned according to the court's Civil Case Assignment Policy. If the assignee judge determines that the suit is frivolous, the assignee judge need not recuse. If the assignee judge does not find the suit to be frivolous, then the assignee judge shall notify the Harrisburg Division Supervisor and the Scranton Chief Deputy Clerk, who shall follow the Local Policy for intra-circuit assignment to a judge outside of the Middle District of Pennsylvania.



Christopher C. Conner, Chief Judge
United States District Court
Middle District of Pennsylvania

DATED: June 24, 2019