

**DISCOVERY PROCEDURES FOR
MAGISTRATE JUDGE CHRIS MCALILEY**

Counsel **must** actually confer (in person or via telephone) and engage in reasonable compromise in a genuine effort to resolve their discovery disputes **before** seeking court intervention.

Magistrate Judge McAliley will hold a discovery calendar every Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. at the C. Clyde Atkins United States Courthouse, 301 North Miami Avenue, Sixth Floor, Miami, Florida, at which time she will address any disputes that were noticed no later than the previous Friday, consistent with the requirements set forth in the following paragraph.

If, after conferring, the parties are unable to resolve their discovery disputes without Court intervention, the moving party shall file a notice that briefly sets forth the nature of the dispute, without argument, and sets the matter on the discovery calendar for the following week. The movant shall include a certificate of good faith that complies with S.D. Fla. L. R. 7.1 (a)(3). If written discovery requests are in dispute, the moving party shall set forth in the notice each disputed request with the corresponding response immediately thereafter. The parties shall not file discovery motions unless the Court so orders.

These procedures do not relieve parties from the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or Local Rules of this Court except as noted above.

The parties shall immediately notify chambers, at (305) 523-5890, in advance of the hearing, if they resolve some or all of the issues in dispute.

The Court will not consider any discovery dispute that does not comply with these procedures. The Court may impose sanctions, monetary or otherwise, if the Court determines discovery is being improperly sought or is being withheld in bad faith.