UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2011-53

FILED by M. D.C.

IN RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROJECT AND ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT CASES

This Administrative Order is entered to facilitate the assignment of patent and plant protection variety cases [collectively "patent" cases] in the Southern District of Florida, in accordance with the Southern District of Florida's designation as a pilot court authorized by Public Law 111-349 and pursuant to the memorandum from the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, titled Patent Pilot Project, dated June 7, 2011. This pilot program is intended to encourage enhancement of expertise through the designation of judges to hear patent cases, and the pilot shall continue for 10 years from the effective date of this pilot project, which is July 7, 2011. It is hereby

ORDERED that effective July 7, 2011, all newly filed patent cases will be randomly assigned to District Judges consistent with the current case assignment protocol in the Southern District of Florida. If the assigned Judge declines to hear the patent case, that Judge shall enter an Order Transferring Case to Patent Pilot directing the Clerk's Office to randomly assign the matter to a Judge in the pool of District Judges for patent cases. That pool shall initially consist of The Honorable K. Michael Moore, The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks, and The Honorable Patricia A. Seitz, until further order. The Clerk's Office is directed to establish a case assignment wheel for the random assignment of patent cases from within this pool of three designated Judges, as well as to take any other steps necessary to implement the pilot project and to satisfy reporting requirements

under Public Law 111-349.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida this 33^{3}

day of June, 2011.

FEDERICO A. MORENO

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

c: All Southern District Judges and Magistrate Judges Wifredo Ferrer, United States Attorney Steven M. Larimore, Court Administrator • Clerk of Court Library

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO: _____

Plaintiff(s),

VS,

Defendant(s),

ORDER TRANSFERRING CASE TO PATENT PILOT

The undersigned District Judge, to whom the above-styled case has been assigned, hereby declines to hear the matter and refers the case to the Clerk of Court for random assignment to a Judge in the court designated pool for patent cases pursuant to Administrative Order 2011 - XXX.

DONE AND ORDERED at _____, Florida, this _____ day of _____, 2011.

United States District Judge

In accordance with Administrative Order 2011-XXX, this matter is hereby reassigned to the calendar of **United States District Judge**_____.

All documents for filing in this case shall carry the following case number and designation:______.

By Order of Court this _____ day of ____, 2011.

STEVEN M. LARIMORE Court Administrator/Clerk of Court

By: _____ Deputy Clerk

c: [District Judge Name], U.S. District Judge [Transferring Judge Name], U.S. District Judge [Magistrate Judge Name], U.S. Magistrate Judge All counsel of record/<u>pro se</u> parties