

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

NOTICE

Pursuant to the Federal Magistrates Act of 1979, signed into law by the President on October 10, 1979;

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED of your right to consent to having a United States Magistrate Judge of this Court conduct any and all proceedings in a jury or non-jury trial in this matter and to order the entry of judgment in the case. Magistrate Judges do not conduct trials in felony cases. Accordingly, if this case is transferred on consent to the Magistrate Judge, major criminal cases will not interfere with its scheduling and processing. In all likelihood, a consent will mean that this civil case will be resolved sooner and at less expense to the parties.

An appropriate form for such consent is attached hereto. If the parties wish to consent, the attached form should be returned to the Clerk of the Court as soon as practicable. The parties may submit their executed forms independently.