

## **Rule 24**

### **CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

(A) Pursuant to Rule 5(B)(1) of the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio, requiring an early case management conference: In all civil cases other than FEDs (first causes), and cases eligible for default judgment, a case management conference will be scheduled. Said conference will be initiated by the court and may be by telephone or otherwise as agreed to by the parties, or directed by the court. All parties or their attorneys of record at said case management conference shall indicate to the court that:

(1) A certificate of readiness for assignment of trial date signed by all parties will be filed by that date or within 30 days of said management conference.

(2) That the case is not ready for trial and the approximate time needed to complete discovery and/or to submit pretrial motions. The case will then be continued to a specific date for review by the judge assigned.

(3) That a pretrial conference hearing would be beneficial and a pretrial conference hearing date will be set.

(4) That the case, being appropriate for early dispute resolution, is referred for that purpose to the Citizens Dispute Settlement Program (CDSP).

(5) If all parties or their attorneys do not participate on the date assigned, the case will be referred to the assigned judge for further action at the judge's discretion.

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