IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR CECIL, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S, CAROLINE, AND TALBOT COUNTIES ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Concerning Oral Examinations and Interrogatories in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment in Small Claim Actions

WHEREAS House Bill 0127, which adds Section 11-704 to the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article, was approved by the Governor of Maryland and shall take effect on October 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS effective October 1, 2023, the District Court of Maryland may no longer order the appearance of an individual for an oral examination in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment in a small claim action, and

WHEREAS, effective October 1, 2023, the District Court of Maryland may no longer order an individual to answer interrogatories in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment in a small claim action, and

WHEREAS oral examinations in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment in the District Court of Maryland may not be scheduled for small claim actions on or after October 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS requests for interrogatories in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment must have a serve by date no later than September 30, 2023,

IT IS, this 14th day of September 2023 by the Third District Court of Maryland

ORDERED that all requests in the District Court for oral examinations in small claim actions, where the hearing date to be scheduled would occur on or after October 1, 2023, are hereby DENIED, and

ORDERED that all requests in the District Court for an individual to answer interrogatories in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment in a small claim action, where the serve by date would fall on or after October 1, 2023, are hereby DENIED, and

ORDERED that all requests in the District Court of Maryland, received on or after September 14, 2023, for oral examinations in a small claim action are hereby DENIED, and

ORDERED that all requests in the District Court of Maryland, received on or after September 14, 2023, for an individual to answer interrogatories in aid of enforcement or execution of a money judgment in a small claim action are hereby DENIED.

Bonnie G. Schneider District Three Administrative Judge