



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

CHAMBERS OF
DAVID G. BERNTHAL
MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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MEMORANDUM

June 23, 2003

TO: Counsel Practicing in CD/IL (Urbana Division Only)

FROM: David G. Bernthal
U.S. Magistrate Judge

RE: SUGGESTED FORM FOR PROPOSED DISCOVERY PLAN

Pursuant to this Court's standard order setting Rule 16 hearings, the parties are directed to conduct a meeting pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. Rule 26(f) at least 21 days before the scheduling conference is held. The parties are directed to develop a proposed discovery plan which shall be submitted to the Court not less than 14 days prior to the scheduling conference.

We have had several inquiries about this Court's preference for the form in which proposed discovery plans are submitted. Therefore, we have prepared the following sample to guide attorneys in preparing their proposed plan for submission to the Court. It is not mandatory that the proposed plan be followed; the sample is offered only as a guide.

The following Order area : should be left blank for completion by the Court.

ORDER

This Court accepts the discovery calendar itemized above with any noted changes, as well as the additions below.

The matter is scheduled for a *telephone status conference* before _____ on _____.

The matter is scheduled for *final pretrial conference* by personal appearance before _____ on _____.

The matter is scheduled for *jury selection/jury trial or bench trial* before _____ on _____ (Case No. ____).

ENTERED this _____ day of _____, 2003.
