

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

ORDER

During Judge Shabaz's absence, 50% of all civil cases filed in this district, with the exception of social security appeals, bankruptcy appeals, federal collection and foreclosure actions and motions brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255, will be assigned at random to United States Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker for all purposes, including trials and the entry of final judgment, unless counsel advise the court in writing that they do not consent to his exercising such jurisdiction. If consent is withheld, then the case will be assigned for trial to a visiting district judge or to Chief Judge Barbara B. Crabb at the court's sole discretion, with a magistrate judge of this court presiding over all pretrial matters in the case, including preparation of proposed findings of fact and recommendations of law for dispositive motions as directed by a district judge. As 28 U.S.C. §636 provides, the parties are free to withhold their consent without any adverse substantive consequences. No judge will know which party or parties withheld consent.

The order entered on March 11, 2008 and docketed as #286 is rescinded.

Entered this 20th day of June, 2008.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

BARBARA B. CRABB

District Judge