

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

STANDING ORDER RE: CIVIL CASE ASSIGNMENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGES

Whereas, the Court has analyzed and examined issues regarding workload equalization for the United States Magistrate Judges in this District;

Whereas, civil cases automatically referred to magistrate judges pursuant to Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2) are generally assigned on a divisional basis pursuant to Local Civil Rule 73.02(C);

Whereas, the Local Civil Rule 73.02(C)(1) and 73.02(D) authorize the court to modify the method of assignment of cases to magistrate judges by order.

Wherefore, to affect workload equalization among the magistrate judges in this district, the Court suspends any part of Local Civil Rule 73.02(C) which would direct assignment of civil cases on a divisional basis. Civil case assignments pursuant to Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2) will be made to magistrate judges on a rotational basis without regard to division of filing until further order of the court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

For the Court:



Timothy M. Cain
Chief United States District Judge

GREENVILLE, South Carolina
February 12, 2026