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ALEXANDRIA DIVISION**

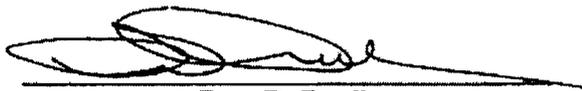
**STANDING ORDER OF REFERRAL OF E.R.I.S.A. CASES
TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

The following Order shall apply to E.R.I.S.A. cases for which Judge Dee D. Drell has responsibility.

All cases arising under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (E.R.I.S.A.) in which the primary demand arises from the denial of medical or disability benefits under a qualified welfare plan shall be referred to United States Magistrate Judge James D. Kirk for the purposes of preparing a Report and Recommendation and conducting all necessary proceedings incidental thereto.

Magistrate Judge Kirk's E.R.I.S.A. Case Order shall be utilized in such cases in lieu of the undersigned's Civil Case Management Order unless he determines it is not a case in which the decision of the plan trustee is at issue.

ORDERED this 6th day of November, 2006.



**Dee D. Drell
United States District Judge**