## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (RE: KENT COUNTY DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS)

<u>DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS</u>: Motions for summary judgment and motions to dismiss on substantive grounds shall be assigned to the motion calendar only by omnibus assignment signed by the clerk. No dispositive motion shall be filed unless it is accompanied by a memorandum. Supporting affidavits shall also be filed at the time the motion is filed. All such motions and supporting papers shall be filed in duplicate. Dispositive motions shall be filed no later than **THIRTY DAYS** prior to hearing. Response memoranda, affidavits and cross motions shall be filed in duplicate not less than **TWELVE DAYS** prior to hearing. All copies of all documents shall list the scheduled hearing date on the first page.

<u>CONTINUANCES OF DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS</u>: Dispositive motions may be continued by agreement no later than **EIGHT DAYS** prior to hearing. Given the time commitment required for the Court to prepare for such motion, requests for continuances are disfavored thereafter and will be granted only by leave of court.

**FAILURE TO APPEAR:** Where the parties fail to appear without having obtained a continuance, or informing the court the matter is settled or the motion withdrawn, the Court may deem the parties have rested on their pleadings and may render a decision accordingly.

The Court reserves the right to shorten these filing deadlines to resolve issues which are less complex or for cases reached for trial.

Counsel are requested to place the hearing date on the first page of every copy of each document and to include their e-mail addresses with their signatures.

ENTER:	BY ORDER:	
Lanphear, J.	Clerk	
Associate Justice August 1, 2008		