

72.1 Magistrate Judge Duties.

Magistrate judges are authorized under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) to perform any duties assigned to them by a district judge of this court that are consistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States. A full-time magistrate judge is responsible for (a) scheduling trials; (b) conducting any discovery, pretrial, and settlement conferences; (c) hearing and determining pretrial procedural and discovery motions; (d) issuing progression orders; and (e) presiding over proceedings related to executions of judgments under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 69.