

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

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GENERAL ORDER

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MIDDLE DIST. OF ALA.  
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Civ. Misc. No.


On October 24, 1997, this court entered a General Order, as authorized by amendments to the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure* taking effect on December 1, 1993, opting out of certain provisions of Rule 26, 30, 31, 33, and 36 of the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure*. This was done during a period when the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure* allowed experimentation in the various districts concerning the matters involved in those Rules. The *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure* have now been amended again, the amendments to take effect on December 1, 2000, so as to remove the "opt out" option from individual courts and to standardize procedures throughout the country. Therefore, since the General Order referred to above, and certain local rules adopted in this district, are now in conflict with the new amendments to the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure*, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. The General Order of this court entered on October 24, 1997, Civil Misc. No. 2053, is VACATED.

2. M.D. Ala. LR 16.1(b), 26.1 and 26.2 are VACATED.

DONE this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2000.

  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

  
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