



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

New Consent
Form
Effective July 2, 2007

CONSENT OR NON-CONSENT TO THE EXERCISE
OF JURISDICTION BY A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
WHERE THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE HAS BEEN DIRECTLY
ASSIGNED AS THE PRESIDING JUDGE

_____ V. _____ (Case No. ____ - _____)
(Plaintiff) (Defendant)

In accordance with provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73, the parties in this case indicate their consent or non-consent to have a United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all proceedings in this case, including the trial, order the entry of a final judgment, and conduct all post-judgment proceedings.

Check this box if you “consent” to jurisdiction by the Magistrate Judge.

Check this box if you “do not consent” to jurisdiction by the Magistrate Judge.

Party Represented

Signature/Title

Date

Please note that while the decision to consent or not to consent to the exercise of jurisdiction by the Magistrate Judge is entirely voluntary, **the duty to return the Consent Form is mandatory.** Consent to a Magistrate Judge’s authority does not constitute a waiver of any jurisdictional defense unrelated to the grant of authority under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c). No adverse consequences of any kind will befall any attorney or party who submits a non-consent. Completed Consent Forms will not be docketed nor made part of the electronic case file, and the Magistrate Judge will not be advised of that consent or non-consent.

DO NOT FILE THIS FORM THROUGH THE COURT’S ELECTRONIC CASE FILING (ECF) SYSTEM!

The completed form should be returned to the Clerk of Court by one of the following methods.

U.S. MAIL:

Clerk of U.S. District Court
Attn: Assignment Notification Clerk
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Memphis, TN 38103

E-MAIL:

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