UNITED STATES OF AMERICA UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE: ASSIGNMENT OF CIVIL CASES TO DIVISIONS

Administrative Order No. <u>11-035</u>

It has come to the Court's attention that attorneys filing new cases by means of the CM/ECF system sometimes mistakenly assign a new case to the wrong division. At a Judges' Meeting conducted on March 11, 2011, the district judges determined that the Clerk's Office should be empowered to reassign new civil actions to the correct division in cases of an obvious error. Accordingly:

IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court be and she hereby is empowered to reassign a newly filed civil case to the correct division under W.D. Mich. LCivR 3.2 in circumstances where the filing attorney has made an obvious mistake in this regard using the CM/ECF system. In cases of doubt, the Clerk shall refer the matter to the duty magistrate judge, who shall issue an order assigning the case to the correct division, if appropriate.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT:

Dated: March 21, 2011

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Paul L. Maloney Chief Judge United States District Court