

**AO Review of Reports and Plans
For the Judicial Conference Subcommittee on Court Administration**

District: Northern District of Florida

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Upon reviewing the Advisory Group Report and the Expense and Delay Reduction Plan for the Northern District of Florida staff has the following observations. The Advisory Group reviewed data reflecting past case filings, trends in case filings and the use of court resources. They also surveyed the members of the Northern District's bar. The court carefully considered each recommendation and explained why it did or did not adopt each one.

Comments:

- The plan retains many features of previous case management routines but adjusts them to account for the causes of cost and delay the Advisory Group identified.
- The plan specifically rejects requiring parties to sign requests for continuances.

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