

PRE-TRIAL MATTERS

RULE 32 DISCOVERY

32.1 INTERROGATORIES

(1) Any party propounding interrogatories in a civil action, shall set forth each question in clear and concise language leaving an appropriate space below each question for an answer to be inserted. The original shall be served upon counsel for the interrogated party, or the party himself if not represented. None of these documents are to be filed with the court except pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 57.01(b).

(2) The interrogating party shall show upon the interrogatories a certificate of service and shall file with the court at the time the interrogatories are mailed a certificate of service which shall include (a) the parties served; (b) the date and manner of service (c) the designation of the pleading, as first interrogatories, second interrogatories, etc.; and (d) the signature of the attorney or party serving the interrogatories.

(3) The answers to interrogatories shall be typewritten in the spaces provided. In the event an answer is too lengthy to place in the space provided, it shall be attached as an appendix and clearly identified.

(4) The interrogated party shall prepare the affidavit to be signed by the appropriate party, attach it as the last page of the interrogatories and then serve a copy upon each party. The answer shall not be filed with the court except pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 57.01(b).

(5) Objections to certain interrogatories shall be inserted in the place provided for the answers and the grounds therefore shall be stated in detail. Failure to state the grounds for an objection in detail may result in the objection being summarily overruled.

(6) Objections to answers to interrogatories shall set forth the interrogatory, the answer objected to and the grounds for the objection in detail.

(7) Failure to answer or file objections to interrogatories within the time prescribed by Supreme Court Rule 57.01(a), or as extended by court order, shall be grounds for sustaining of a motion for sanctions. Such motions, upon notice to the opposing party, may be presented to the Court informally or at the call of any regular motion docket.

32.2 DEPOSITIONS

(1) Any person desiring to have depositions taxed as costs shall electronically file in the court file, prior to the submission of the case, a certificate showing the caption of the case, the name of the deponent, the date the deposition was taken, an itemized statement of the various charges made by the notary taking the same, the name and address of the person having custody of the original deposition and whether the charges have been paid. A copy of the deposition shall not be filed with the Court.

32.3 MOTIONS FOR SANCTIONS

See Rule 32.1, supra.

32.4 CRIMINAL DISCOVERY

See Rule 67.6, post.

32.5 DISCLOSURE OF EXPERTS

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