

## **Rule 7.2 Dispositive Motions**

**(a)** Motions that dispose of any claim or defense shall usually be heard and determined by the District Judge assigned to the case. When such Judge concludes that final adjudication of such motion will be expedited if it is referred to a Magistrate Judge for report and recommendation, such motion may be referred to the Magistrate Judge, whose report and recommendation shall be filed consistent with the provisions of Local Rule 7.3(b).

**(b)** In those cases in which a summary judgment motion is pending, the Judicial Officer may consider scheduling the case for oral argument.

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