

Honorable Richard A. Jones

DISCOVERY DISPUTES

The Court strongly encourages parties to make every effort to resolve discovery disputes without the Court's intervention.

To the extent motions practice is necessary, Judge Jones encourages parties to take advantage of the expedited discovery dispute procedures described in Local Civil Rule 37(a)(1)(B).

The parties may *jointly* contact the Court when presented with disputes regarding discovery issues that are particularly time-sensitive. This approach may resolve the dispute in an expedient manner and avoid the extra costs associated with motions practice. All parties to the discovery dispute **MUST** participate in contacting the Court. *See* Local Civil Rule 7(i). Counsel may contact the Court's deputy clerk, Victoria Ericksen, by email at victoria_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov or by telephone at (206) 370-8517 to make arrangements for a telephone conference with the Court.