

Business Court Reminder

When filing a case involving a circuit court business or commercial dispute, *MCL 600.8031*, attorneys are required to verify on the initial pleading that the case meets the statutory requirements for business court, *MCR 2.112(O)(1)*. To accomplish this, simply **check the appropriate box on the summons** (SCAO form MC 01): “ This is a business case in which all or part of the action includes a business or commercial dispute under MCL 600.8035”.

Also, since SCAO has designated “CB” as the case-type code for business court actions, please **insert the suffix “CB” to the case number field on your summons and pleadings, regardless** of the case-type code that might otherwise apply (e.g. “CK”, “CZ”, etc.).

Taking these actions will help prompt judicial review of the pleadings and, if appropriate, result in entry of a formal Order assigning the case to business court, *LOA 2013-06*. Otherwise, the case may run undetected below the radar and fail to receive the benefits afforded by business court’s specialized docket.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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