Local Rule 6-1 - Extensions of Time

- **(a) Motion Ordinarily Required.** Ordinarily, a request for an extension of time not made in open court or at a conference must:
 - (1) be made by written motion;
 - (2) state the original deadline and the requested deadline;
 - (3) provide the reasons why an extension is requested; and
 - (4) if all parties are represented by counsel, either:
 - **(A)** state that there is no objection to the extension; or
 - **(B)** describe all attempts made to obtain an agreement to the extension and state whether opposing counsel objects to it.
 - (5) be filed at least three business days prior to the deadline absent extraordinary circumstances, or summary denial may result.
- **(b) Automatic Initial Extension.** The deadline for filing a response to a pleading or to any written request for discovery or admissions will automatically be extended upon filing a notice of the extension with the court that states:
 - (1) the deadline has not been previously extended;
 - (2) the extension is for 28 or fewer days;
 - (3) the extension does not interfere with the Case Management Plan, scheduled hearings, or other case deadlines;
 - (4) the original deadline and extended deadline;
 - (5) that all opposing counsel the filing attorney could reach agreed to the extension; or that the filing attorney could not reach any opposing counsel, and providing the dates, times and manner of all attempts to reach opposing counsel.
- **(c) Pro Se Parties.** The automatic initial extension does not apply to pro se parties.

Note: Amended December 1, 2018, to add a requirement that motions for extensions of time must be filed at least three business days prior to a filing deadline absent extraordinary circumstances, or summary denial may result.