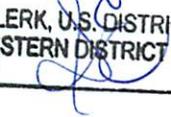


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STANDING ORDER REFERRING PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS MATTERS

Prisoner civil rights matters are hereby referred to the United States Magistrate Judge of the Midland/Odessa Division, respectively, to conduct preliminary proceedings not inconsistent with 28 U.S.C. § 626(b) and Appendix C, Local Rules for Assignment of Duties to the United States Magistrate Judges. The U.S. Magistrate Judge shall have the authority to issue scheduling orders, hear and determine pretrial matters, guide discovery, and issue proposed findings of fact and recommendations for disposition by the Court of any dispositive matter prior to trial.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Signed this 28th day of November, 2018.



DAVID COUNTS
United States District Judge