

SECTION 7 | CERTAIN MOTIONS TO BE DECIDED WITHOUT HEARING

There are several motions that restrict the Court to the four corners of the pleadings and/or are routinely addressed in the Court's discretion. To achieve a prompt resolution of those motions and to provide available hearing time for other motions, the Court will routinely handle the following motions without a hearing:

- (i) **Motions to Dismiss;**
- (ii) **Motions for Judgment on the Pleading;**
- (iii) **Motions to Strike;**
- (iv) **Motions for Leave to Amend** (except ones seeking to plead punitive damages); and
- (v) **Motions for Extension / Enlargement of Time to Respond.**

Upon the filing of one of these motions, the non-moving party may either file a response within 14 days or send a copy of the Motion to the Judicial Assistant via e-mail for ruling. The moving party may reply to a response within 14 days. The moving party shall e-mail the Judicial Assistant (and copy all other parties) with the motion, response and reply when the motion is ripe for determination. After reviewing the submissions the Court may, in its discretion, rule or schedule a hearing as appropriate.

When sending a proposed order to the Court, email the proposed order in Word format, along with the motion attached, to the Judicial Assistant with all parties copied.

