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DIFFERENTIATED CASE MANAGEMENT

(b) Tracks. Unless otherwise ordered by the assigned District Judge or Magistrate Judge, the type of cases identified in the following tracks must be assigned as follows:

(1) Expedited Track.

(A) Assignment.

(i) Cases are assigned to this track based on nature of suit, and are those that usually are resolved on the pleadings. Expedited Track cases include:

Bankruptcy appeals;

Social Security appeals;

Student Loan, Veteran's Benefits, and other recovery actions;

Forfeiture/Penalty actions;

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) actions;

Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation actions;

Summons and Subpoena Enforcement actions.

(ii) Other cases may be assigned to this track based on complexity. Such determination may be made either by the parties at filing, or by the Court at a preliminary scheduling conference.

(iii) A case in a nature of suit listed in (i) above, but which may have more complex issues or facts, may likewise be assigned to another track.

(B) Management. A preliminary scheduling conference is not required; however, a scheduling order will issue.

(2) Detainee Track.

(A) Assignment. All cases relating to or arising from a detainee's arrest or confinement are assigned to this track and are administered by the Staff Attorneys' Office. ~~All cases filed by criminal or civil detainees are assigned to this track and are~~

~~administered by the Staff Attorneys' Office.~~ The term "detainee" refers to any individual who is or was confined in a jail, prison, or immigration or civil commitment facility.

(B) Management.

(i) Habeas Corpus and Mandamus Actions. A service order will set the briefing schedule.

(ii) All Other Actions Filed by Pro Se Detainees. A service order will set the maximum date to effect service as the limit set in Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or sixty (60) days from filing of the service order, whichever is later. When the first defendant makes an appearance in the action, a scheduling order will issue setting:

(I) a discovery cutoff one-hundred fifty (150) days from the date the scheduling order issues; and

(II) a dispositive motion filing deadline one-hundred eighty (180) days from the date the scheduling order issues.

(iii) Detainee Actions Filed by an Attorney. After a screening order issues, the Court may assign these cases to the Standard Track.
