

ATTACHMENT A

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

**CASE DESIGNATION SHEET**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff  
vs.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

The above captioned case is designated as being the following type of case:

- PT** – Professional Tort
- PL** – Product Liability
- T** – Other Tort
- WC** – Worker's Compensation
- F** – Foreclosure
- AP** – Administrative Appeal
- CL** – **Complex Litigation – Must be accompanied with a request of counsel, approval of all parties and a judgment entry granting said request for approval of assigned judge.**
- OC** – Other Civil
- DC** – Divorce, with children
- D** – Divorce without children
- DMC** – Dissolution of Marriage, with children
- DM** – Dissolution of Marriage, without children
- DV** – Domestic Violence
- U** – URESA
- AO** – All other domestic
- SO** – Support only
- CA** – Court of Appeals
- CJ** – Certificate of Judgment

Refiling of a previously filed case  
 This matter is the refiling of a case, which has been previously dismissed.  
 Yes       No  
 Prior Case No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Judge previously assigned \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Attorney Refiling Case

ATTORNEY DESIGNATION

Trial Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Supreme Court Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney for:  Plaintiff     Defendant

Some definitions for Case Designation Sheet:

1. **Tort:** This category is used for cases that involve allegations of malpractice by a person acting in a professional capacity, such as a doctor, lawyer, or engineer.
2. **Product Liability:** This category is used for cases that involve the alleged responsibility of the manufacturer or seller of an article for injury caused to person or property by a defect in or condition of the article sold, or an alleged breach of duty to provide suitable instructions to prevent injury.
3. **Other Torts:** This is a residual category to be used for those tort cases that cannot be classified as Professional Tort or Products Liability. Examples would include automobile tort cases, as well as tort cases involving air and water transportation.
4. **Worker's Compensation:** A case in this category is one brought pursuant to R.C. Section 4123.519, which is an appeal of a decision by the Industrial Commission in any injury or occupational disease case other than a decision as to extent of disability. This category also includes noncompliance actions by the State for the recovery of benefits or premium, as well as mandamus actions arising from claims or awards.
5. **Foreclosures:** This category is used for cases that involve the enforcement of a lien, mortgage, trust deed, or other similar instrument in any method provided by law.
6. **Administrative Appeal:** This category is used for cases that began in an administrative agency and are being appealed to the common pleas court, e.g., an administrative decision about eligibility for unemployment compensation.
7. **Complex Litigation:** This category is for those extraordinary civil cases that involve novel or complicated issues of law. An attorney representing a party to an action filed in the general division of the court of common pleas may file a request in writing asking that the case be designated as complex litigation.  
  
The attorney filing the request shall certify that approval has been obtained from his or her client to file the request. Upon receipt of said request by the Clerk of Courts, a judgment entry prepared by counsel shall be submitted to the assigned judge for approval of the request. The assigned judge will take into consideration the number of parties involved; whether a class action is involved; whether it is a products liability case; and whether there are other related cases involving unusual multiplicity or complexity of factual issues.
8. **Other Civil:** This is a residual category used for civil cases that cannot be identified as belonging in the other listed civil classifications. Ancillary proceedings are not reported as cases in this or any other column on the report.
9. **All Remaining Designations:** Case type designations of D, DC, DM, DMC, DV, U, CA, SO, CJ, and AO are basically self-explanatory and do not require definition.