

Rule 11. Pretrial Conference

(a) In any case in which the Court deems it appropriate, the Court may require the parties to participate in a conference preparatory to trial on the merits. The conference will generally be held by the judge who will preside at trial and will not be recorded unless the judge orders that it be on the record.

(b) One week prior to the pretrial conference, each party shall file and serve a pretrial statement in the form prescribed by the Court. Except for the rebuttal or impeachment purposes, or for good cause shown, no party may offer at trial the testimony of any witness or any documentary evidence not listed in the pretrial statement of that party.

(c) At least one attorney who will participate in the trial for each party, and every unrepresented party, shall attend the pretrial conference. The issues to be tried and the possibility of admissions or stipulations concerning the proof of facts and authenticity or admissibility of documents shall be discussed. The Court shall set a date for trial and may make such order concerning the conduct of trial as it deems appropriate.