

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

<b>In re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig</b>	*	<b>MDL No. 2179</b>
<b>“Deepwater Horizon” in the Gulf</b>	*	
<b>of Mexico, on April 20, 2010</b>	*	<b>SECTION “J”</b>
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<b>This Document Relates To:</b>	*	<b>JUDGE BARBIER</b>
<b>All Cases</b>	*	
	*	<b>MAGISTRATE SHUSHAN</b>

**ORDER**

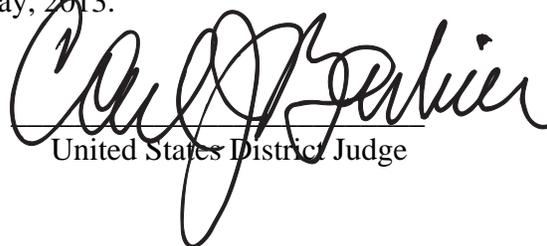
**[Regarding Filing Requests for Summons and Summons Returns]**

The Court notes that numerous requests for summons and summons returns have recently been filed in the master docket for MDL 2179, 10-md-2179. These filings have added an unnecessary amount of clutter in the master docket. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that requests for summons shall be filed in the docket for the **member case**, as opposed to the master docket. The Clerk of Court shall make the necessary adjustments to CM/ECF to permit such filings.

FURTHER ORDERED that summons returns shall **not** be filed into any docket, master or member, unless filing the summons return becomes necessary (for example, in connection with a motion for default judgment). When it is necessary to file a summons return, the attorney shall avoid filing the summons return as a separate, stand-alone document in the master docket. Instead, the summons return shall be filed as an exhibit to the motion, etc., to which it relates.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 20th day of May, 2013.

  
United States District Judge