## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

IN RE: KATRINA CANAL BREACHES CONSOLIDATED LITIGATION **CIVIL ACTION** 

NO. 05-4182 "K" (2)

PERTAINS TO: INSURANCE/FORCED PLACE

Abadie I 06-5164

Abadie II 07-5112

Aaron 06-4746

Aguilar 07-4852

Alexander 07-4538

Ancar 07-4853

Abram 07-5205

Acevedo 07-5199

## JUDGE DUVAL MAG. WILKINSON

## **INSURANCE UMBRELLA** FORCED PLACE POLICY **CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER**

The captioned "mass joinder" insurance cases may include claims by individual plaintiffs against insurance carriers whose policies were force placed by the plaintiff's mortgage companies. Those cases will need specialized case management. Having considered the input of counsel and the record in these proceedings, and pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P 16, further proceedings in these cases will proceed as follows:

IT IS ORDERED that a new category of cases is created in these consolidated actions, which is known as the Forced Place Insurance category. Whenever any plaintiff in this consolidated litigation whose case is the subject of any of the recent severance orders entered herein files an amended complaint against any defendant under an insurance policy that was force placed, the caption of the amended complaint and any

subsequent pleadings filed in the case must indicate that the case is in the Forced Place

Insurance category. This category is created for the purposes of consolidated motion

practice, which will be separately scheduled by Judge Duval. As an initial matter only,

to maximize efficiencies and judicial economy in the anticipated motion practice, counsel

who represent multiple plaintiffs whose cases are being severed from the referenced

"mass joinder" cases may again join numerous plaintiffs and defendants in either of the

two permissible amended complaints discussed at the January 8, 2009 call docket before

me. If necessary and appropriate after the anticipated motion dispositive practice before

Judge Duval, additional severance orders may be issued.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 12th day of January, 2009.

JOSEPH C. WILKINSON, JR.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**CLERK TO NOTIFY:** 

HON. STANWOOD R. DUVAL, JR.

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