# MAINE JUDICIAL BRANCH

	Plaintiff	<i>"X" the court for filing:</i>
		Superior Court 🗌 District Court
V.		County:
		Location (Town):
	Defendant	Docket No.:
	Other party	

### CONSENT OR OBJECTION TO APPOINTMENT OF COURT-PAID REFEREE

Administrative Order JB-22-03

#### PLEASE NOTE: This form applies only to cases with a referee paid by the court under Administrative Order JB-22-03.

**Consent to Appointment of Referee.** I consent to the appointment of a referee paid for by the court to hear my case.

- I understand that agreeing to the appointment of a court-paid referee means that the court will adopt the referee's report as the final order in my case.
- I understand that I may appeal the court's final order adopting the court-paid referee's report to the Supreme Judicial Court in accordance with the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure.

#### OR

**Objection to Appointment of Referee.** I object to the appointment of a referee paid for by the court to hear my case.

- I understand that the court may appoint a court-paid referee to hear my case even if I do not agree.
- I understand that if the court appoints a referee despite my objection,
  - I have the right to file a notice (CV-FM-273) with the court to preserve the right to object to the acceptance of the court-paid referee's report. If I file that notice, it means that *any party* in my case may object to the referee's report and that the filing of an objection will require the court to review the report before entering a final order in the case.
    - I understand that notice preserving the right to object must be filed with the court no later than 14 days after the court appoints the court-paid referee in my case.
    - I understand that if no party to the case files that notice with the court, I will <u>not</u> have a right to
      object to the court-paid referee's report and the court will adopt the referee's report as the final
      order in my case without review.
- I will always have a right to appeal the court's final order to the Supreme Judicial Court in accordance with the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Date (*mm/dd/yyyy*):

Signature of: Plaintiff Plaintiff's Attorney Defendant Defendant's Attorney Other:

## Printed Name and Bar Number (if applicable)

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