

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**

In the Matter of:

Discovery Motions in Criminal Cases

STANDING ORDER

The parties are hereby advised that the Court will not consider any discovery motions that fail to comply with Local Rule 116.1(b). All discovery motions must contain a certification by counsel signing the same to the effect that he/she has complied with the duty to confer with opposing counsel, as set forth in Local Rule 116.1(b)(3).

Boilerplate discovery motions are strictly prohibited. Multiple discovery requests must be consolidated in a single motion. In instances where a particular discovery request has to be made separately (i.e., an issue arises later in the case, or the filing must be sealed), the reasons for doing so must be stated at the beginning of the motion.

In multi-defendant cases involving more than five (5) defendants, the parties must also comply with Local Rule 116.1(b)(6).

No motions to preserve rough notes shall be filed. Local Rule 116.3 imposes a duty upon counsel for the government to inform all participating law enforcement agents to preserve the items set forth therein.

No generic *Brady*, *Giglio* or *Kyles* motions will be filed. The government, in the exercise of its due diligence, has a constitutional obligation to provide such material to the defense. In the event that such type of motion needs to be filed, the same must certify that counsel have conferred in accordance with Local Rule 116.1(b)(3).

The above directives are intended to assist the Court in effectively managing its docket. Counsel, as officers of the Court, are, thus, expected to comply with the same. Any motion filed which does not comply with the Local Rules and this Order shall be stricken from the record.

All Magistrate-Judges are hereby authorized to enforce this order at any time.

SO ORDERED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico this 11th day of August, 2014.

s/ Gustavo A. Gelpí
GUSTAVO A. GELPI
United States District Judge