

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO
Judge Philip A. Brimmer**

Civil Case No. 09-cv-01409-PAB-MJW

GREAT-WEST LIFE & ANNUITY COMPANY, a Colorado corporation,

Plaintiff,

v.

LARRY R. DUST, an Indiana resident,
GLENDY FREEMAN, an Indiana resident,
BRUCE SMILEY, an Indiana resident, and
THE DUST FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST U/A, an Indiana trust,

Defendants.

AMENDED ORDER OF REFERENCE TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Brimmer, J.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A) and (B) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(a) and (b), United States Magistrate Judge Michael J. Watanabe is designated to conduct proceedings in this civil action as follows:

- (X) Convene a scheduling conference under Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b) and enter a scheduling order meeting the requirements of D.C.COLO.LCivR 16.2.
- (X) Conduct such status conferences and issue such orders necessary for compliance with the scheduling order, including amendments or modifications of the scheduling order upon a showing of good cause.
- (X) Convene such settlement conferences and direct related procedures as may facilitate resolution of this case.
- (X) Hear and determine pretrial matters, including discovery and other non-dispositive motions.
- () Conduct hearings, including evidentiary hearings, and submit proposed findings of fact and recommendations for rulings on dispositive motions.
- (X) Conduct a pretrial conference and enter a pretrial order.

IT IS ORDERED that this civil action is referred to the named magistrate judge to proceed according to the designations marked (X) above.

Dated June 19, 2009, at Denver, Colorado.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Philip A. Brimmer

Philip A. Brimmer

United States District Judge