

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

**REGINALD PITTMAN,  
By and through his Guardian and  
Next Friend,  
ROBIN M. HAMILTON,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**COUNTY OF MADISON, STATE  
OF ILLINOIS, et al.,**

**Defendants.**

**No. 08-0890-DRH**

**ORDER**

**HERNDON, Chief Judge:**

Now before the Court is Defendants' motion for extension of time to file reply brief (Doc. 61). Specifically, Defendant's counsels states that they need more time to prepare a reply to Plaintiff's response to the motion for summary judgment due to the detailed issues involved. Local Rule 7.1 (c) states in part:

Reply briefs are not favored and should be filed only in exceptional circumstances. The party filing the reply brief shall state the exceptional circumstances.

Here, Defendants' motion for extension of time to file reply brief does not state the exceptional circumstances as to why a reply brief is needed. Thus, the Court **DENIES** the motion.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Signed this 16th day of June, 2010.

*/s/ David B Herndon*

**Chief Judge  
United States District Court**