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**North Carolina Middle District**

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**TEXT ORDER issued by JUDGE CATHERINE C. EAGLES on 10/24/14: Recently, the Court has received a rash of briefs in other cases that do not comply with the Local Rules. This Order is being entered in most of the Courts pending civil cases, is not entered because of any particular problems in this specific case, and is entered to assist counsel in avoiding future problems. The parties are reminded that the requirements of the Local Rules will be enforced. By way of example only, spacing, margin, and font constraints are mandatory, excessive or inappropriate use of footnotes designed to avoid page limits will not be allowed, legal arguments require citation to legal authority, and factual assertions unsupported by citations pointing to specific, authenticated facts existing in the record will be disregarded. Of particular concern are summary judgment briefs which fail to provide cites to the record for factual assertions. L.R. 56.1(d); see also L.R. 7.2(a)(2). Litigants must include such citations, and the citations must be specific. It is not sufficient, for example, to cite a fifty-page exhibit for a particular point, but yet to fail to identify where within that fifty-page document the evidence for that point is located. As a reminder, the Court is under no duty to scour the record to find support for a party's factual assertions. See, e.g., Stephenson v. Pfizer, Inc., 2014 WL 4410580, at \*1 n.1 (M.D.N.C. Sept. 8, 2014); Hughes v. B/E Aerospace, Inc., 2014 WL 906220, at \*1 n.1 (M.D.N.C. Mar. 7, 2014); see also Ritchie v. Glidden Co., 242 F.3d 713, 723 (7th Cir. 2001). Nor must the Court do legal research for parties who make perfunctory arguments without citation to legal authority. See Hayes v. Self-Help Credit Union, 2014 WL 4198412,**

at \*2 (M.D.N.C. Aug. 22, 2014); see also *Spath v. Hayes Wheels Intlnd., Inc.*, 211 F.3d 392, 397 (7th Cir. 2000). The Court appreciates cooperation and compliance.(Sanders, Marlene)

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