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CLAIMS REPRESENTATIVE FOR EACH DEFENDANT SHALL APPEAR AT ALL CONFERENCES HELD UNDER THIS SECTION.

- (M) A PARTY WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (H), (K), OR (L) OF THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SANCTIONS PROVIDED IN MARYLAND RULE 1-841 2-433.
- (N) (1) IF A CASE IS SETTLED, THE PARTIES SHALL NOTIFY THE COURT THAT THE CASE HAS BEEN SETTLED.
- (2) IF THE PARTIES AGREE TO SETTLE SOME BUT NOT ALL OF THE ISSUES IN DISPUTE, THE MEDIATOR, NEUTRAL PROVIDER, OR INDIVIDUAL CONDUCTING A SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE SHALL FILE A WRITTEN NOTICE OF PARTIAL SETTLEMENT WITH THE COURT.
- (3) IF THE PARTIES HAVE NOT AGREED TO A SETTLEMENT THE MEDIATOR, NEUTRAL PROVIDER, OR INDIVIDUAL CONDUCTING A SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE SHALL FILE A WRITTEN NOTICE WITH THE COURT THAT THE CASE WAS NOT SETTLED.
- (O) UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED BY THE PARTIES, THE COSTS OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION SHALL BE DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN THE PARTIES.
- (P) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO CONDUCTS ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION SHALL HAVE THE IMMUNITY FROM SUIT DESCRIBED UNDER § 5–615 OF THIS ARTICLE.

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- (A) (1) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO AN INITIAL COMPLAINT FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005, FOR WHICH A CERTIFICATE OF A QUALIFIED EXPERT IS REQUIRED TO BE FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH \S 3–2A–04 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- (2) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF THE DEFENDANT ADMITS LIABILITY.
- (B) (1) WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THAT DISCOVERY IS REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED, A PARTY SHALL FILE WITH THE COURT A SUPPLEMENTAL CERTIFICATE OF A QUALIFIED EXPERT, FOR EACH DEFENDANT, THAT ATTESTS TO:
- (I) THE CERTIFYING EXPERT'S BASIS FOR ALLEGING WHAT IS THE SPECIFIC STANDARD OF CARE;
- $\,$ (II) THE CERTIFYING EXPERT'S QUALIFICATIONS TO TESTIFY TO THE SPECIFIC STANDARD OF CARE;
 - (III) THE SPECIFIC STANDARD OF CARE:
 - (IV) FOR THE PLAINTIFF:
 - 1. THE SPECIFIC INJURY COMPLAINED OF;
 - 2. HOW THE SPECIFIC STANDARD OF CARE WAS BREACHED: