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The additions to text in MCR 3.210(B)(2)(a) titled "Entry of Default" belies the basic common sense of the Clerk of the Court to whom the default request has been presented. The text, in its basic form, states that if you present SCAO form MC 07, then the clerk **MUST** enter the default whether or not an answer, or motions have been filed in the case. It removes the ability of the Clerk of the Court to "confirm" a failure to plead or otherwise defend. In other words, to check the Register of Actions to see if an answer has been filed, or a motion is scheduled.

This is especially important when the Court is faced with many of the domestic filings being filed by in propria persona litigants who believe that the "Michigan Court Rules" are that you can't wear tank tops and cut-offs in the courtroom.

Modifying the word "must" to "may" allows the Clerk of the Court some common sense discretion.

Thank you.

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