

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
NEW YORK COUNTY**

**PRESENT: HON. DEBORAH A. KAPLAN**  
**Administrative Judge**  
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STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.

INDEX NO. 654326/2019

Plaintiff,

- v -

NISHANT VAJPAYEE,

Defendant.

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
ORDER**

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By letter dated August 15, 2019, Joseph E. Czerniawski, Esq., counsel for defendant, requests that this action be assigned to the Commercial Division pursuant to Uniform Rule 202.70.

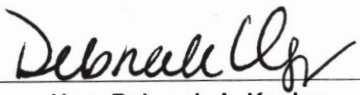
In this action, plaintiff seeks a judgment in the amount of \$1,370,252.85 based upon defendant's alleged personal guaranty of a loan.

On July 29, 2019, plaintiff commenced this action by Notice of Motion for Summary Judgment in Lieu of Complaint. Plaintiff filed an RJI but did not file a Commercial Division addendum. The case was therefore assigned to a General Part (Hon. Melissa Crane).

Upon review, the court agrees that this application is timely and that the action meets the standards for assignment of cases to the Commercial Division (see, Uniform Rule 202.70[a]).

Accordingly, the request for assignment to the Commercial Division is granted. The General Clerk's office is directed to transfer this action from IAS Part 15 (Crane, J) and randomly assign it to a Justice of the Commercial Division.

DATE: *August 29, 2019*

  
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Hon. Deborah A. Kaplan  
Administrative Judge  
Supreme Court, New York County  
Civil Branch