RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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<u>Existing law</u> provides that a district court may direct the attorneys for the parties to appear before it for conferences to consider various pretrial matters, including scheduling discovery time limitations, fact and issue stipulations, witnesses and testimony, and setting a trial date.

<u>New law</u> provides that upon motion of any party when a suit has been pending for more than one year without a trial date being set, the court shall set the matter for conference for the purpose of resolving all pretrial matters.

<u>New law</u> provides that the conference may be conducted in chambers, by telephone, or by video teleconference.

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(Adds C.C.P. Art. 1551(D))