Regarding Rule 13: Adherence to Discovery Schedule, Expert Disclosure

The Uniform Civil Rules for the Supreme Court and the County Court are amended by adding new section 202.20-e as follows:

Section 202.20-e Adherence to Discovery Schedule.

- (a) <u>Parties shall strictly comply with discovery obligations by the dates set forth in all case scheduling orders.</u> Applications for extension of a discovery deadline shall be made as soon as practicable and prior to the expiration of such deadline. Non-compliance with such an order may result in the imposition of an appropriate sanction against that party or for other relief pursuant to CPLR 3126.
- (b) If a party seeks documents from an adverse party as a condition precedent to a deposition of such party and the documents are not produced by the date fixed, the party seeking disclosure may ask the court to preclude the non-producing party from introducing such demanded documents at trial.