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**NOTICE TO THE BAR
MARCH 19, 2024**

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL CIVIL RULES

Notice is hereby given to the Bar and all interested parties that the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey proposes to amend the Local Civil Rules. The proposed amendments are posted for public comment as required by 28 U.S.C. § 2071(b) at <http://www.njd.uscourts.gov>. New text underlined. Strikethroughs indicate deleted text.

Civ. RULE 5.1. SERVICE AND FILING OF PLEADINGS AND OTHER PAPERS

(e) Parties shall furnish to the Clerk forthwith, ~~upon demand,~~ all necessary copies of any pleading, judgment or order, or other matter of record in a cause, so as to permit the Clerk to comply with the provisions of any statute or rule. Plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, upon filing a complaint, and defendant or defendant's attorney, upon filing a notice of removal pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446, shall simultaneously file with the Clerk ~~furnish to the Clerk~~ a completed civil cover sheet ~~and four (4) copies of such pleading~~ in addition to any documents ~~copies~~ required to be filed under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Local Civil Rules and/or 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a). ~~All such copies of the notice of removal shall also include a copy of all papers required to be filed under 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a). Upon receipt, the Clerk shall transmit one copy to the Judge to whom the case is assigned.~~

Civ. RULE 26.1 DISCOVERY

~~(e)(3) In those instances when such discovery materials are properly filed, the Clerk shall place them in the open case filed unless otherwise ordered.~~

Civ. RULE 33.1 INTERROGATORIES

- (a) Interrogatories shall be listed in consecutive order. The party answering interrogatories shall repeat each question, including subparts, in full immediately prior to each corresponding answer. ~~so arranged that after each separate question or request, there shall appear a blank space reasonably calculated to enable the answering party to have the answer to the interrogatory typed in. Each question shall be answered separately in the space allowed. If the space allowed shall not be sufficient for the answer, the answering party may insert additional pages or retyped pages repeating each question in full, followed by the answer in such manner that the final document shall have each interrogatory immediately succeeded by the separate answer thereto. Upon request, interrogatories shall be provided in electronic word processing format for ease of answering if technologically feasible. The answering party shall repeat each question in full immediately prior to each corresponding answer.~~

Civ. RULE 36.1 REQUESTS FOR ADMISSION

- (a) Requests for admission shall be listed in consecutive order. ~~so arranged that after each separate request, there shall appear a blank space reasonably calculated to enable the answering party to have the answer to the request for admission typed in. Each request shall be answered separately in the space allowed. If the space allowed shall not be sufficient for the answer, the answering party may insert additional pages or retyped pages repeating each request for admission in full, followed by the answer in such manner that the final document shall have each request for admission immediately succeeded by the separate answer thereto.~~ The party answering the requests for admission shall repeat each request for admission in full, which shall be followed by the party's answer to each request.

Civ. RULE 65.1 APPLICATIONS FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF

- (b) Applications for orders to show cause, and for consent and *ex parte* orders, shall be ~~made by delivering the proposed orders and supporting papers to~~ filed with the Clerk, who shall promptly deliver each application to the District Judge to whom the case has been assigned. ~~No application will be entertained by a District Judge in any action until the action has been filed, allocated and assigned.~~

Comments must be received by the Clerk of the Court by April 19, 2024, and should be addressed to:

Melissa E. Rhoads, Clerk of Court
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For the Court

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