UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

NOTICE TO THE BAR

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL CIVIL AND CRIMINAL 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 and Criminal Rules. The proposed amendments are posted for public comment as required by 28 U.S.C. § 2071(b) at http://www.njd.uscourts.gov/.

Inconsistencies throughout the District's Local Rules regarding the definition of the term "Judge" have been noted. As currently defined therein, "Judge" refers *only* to a "United States District Judge sitting in this District." Therefore, in the following proposed amendments, the definition of "Judge" has been modified to include both District Judge and Magistrate Judge. The amendments also clarify instances where the Local Rules are definitively referring to either a District Judge or a Magistrate Judge (e.g., attorney discipline matters and applications for a temporary restraining order), and insert the newly-defined "Judge" where appropriate.

Amendments are proposed to the following Local Rules:

Civ. RULE 1.2	Civ. RULE 40.1	Civ. RULE 83.1
Civ. RULE 5.2	Civ. RULE 54.2	Civ. RULE 101.1
Civ. RULE 5.3	Civ. RULE 65.1	Civ. RULE 104.1
Civ. RULE 7.1	Civ. RULE 72.1	Civ. RULE 201.1
Civ. RULE 7.2	Civ. RULE 73.1	Civ. RULE 301.1
Civ. RULE 16.1	Civ. RULE 78.1	Civ. RULE 401.1
Civ. RULE 24.2	Civ. RULE 81.3	Civ. RULE 501.1

Cr. RULE 5.1 Cr. RULE 46.1

Comments must be received by the Clerk of the Court by June 13, 2022, and should be addressed to:

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Date: May 10, 2022 For the Court

Freda L. Wolfson Chief Judge