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NOTICE TO THE BAR SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL CIVIL RULE 5.3

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 5.3. CONFIDENTIALITY ORDERS AND RESTRICTING PUBLIC ACCESS UNDER CM/ECF

(b) Confidentiality Order

(5) Any dispute regarding the entry of an order, or the confidentiality of discovery materials under any order, under this section shall be brought before a Magistrate Judge pursuant to L. Civ. R. 37.1 (a)(1). Discovery cannot be withheld or delayed on the basis of confidentiality absent Court order. Pending entry of a confidentiality order, discovery and disclosures deemed discoverable but confidential by a party shall be produced to the adverse party for outside counsel's Attorney's Eyes Only, solely for purposes of the pending case and shall not be disclosed to the client or any other person.

Comments must be received by the Clerk of the Court by October 19, 2026, and should be addressed to:

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For the Court

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