

## **Rule 1.2 Definitions**

(a) "United States Attorney," unless otherwise indicated, shall also mean the Assistant United States Attorneys and Department of Justice Attorneys assigned to a case.

(b) Reference in these Rules to an "attorney" or "counsel" for a party is in no way intended to preclude a party from proceeding pro se, in which case reference to attorney or counsel applies to the pro se litigant.

(c) "Clerk" shall be interpreted to include the Clerk of the District Court and any Deputy Clerk. The Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court will be referred to as the "Bankruptcy Clerk."

(d) "Judicial Officer" is either a United States District Judge or a United States Magistrate Judge.

(e) "Judge" shall be interpreted to mean all Judicial Officers, including District Judges and Magistrate Judges, unless specifically limited or the subject is directed to one of these Judicial Officers.

(f) "Court" means any United States District Judge, United States Magistrate Judge, or Clerk of Court personnel to whom responsibility for a particular action or decision has been delegated by the Judges of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.