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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTION OF LOCAL RULES AND AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING RULES

ORDER NO. 1996-23-2

On August 18, 1997, the Court approved the following procedure for adoption of local rules and amendments to existing rules.

SCOPE

These rules provide the procedure for recommending new local rules and amendments to existing rules, circulation of proposed rules and amendments to the bar and the public, review and incorporation of any comments received, and adoption of proposed new and amended rules, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 83.

SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Suggestions and recommendations regarding the Local Rules of this Court should be sent to the Clerk of Court, Attention: Rules Committee, Carl B. Stokes United States Court House, 2-161, 801 W. Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113, or submitted by email to <u>publiccomment@ohnd.uscourts.gov</u>. The Clerk, with input from the Chief Judge, will refer all suggestions and recommendations to the Rules Committee for review. The Clerk will, to the extent feasible, advise the person making the recommendation or suggestion of any action taken by the Court.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION OF PROPOSED RULES AND AMENDMENTS

The Rules Committee may recommend to the Court the publication of a proposed rule or amendment for comment. The Committee may recommend the

adoption of a technical or conforming rule or amendment without publication and comment, if it determines the notice and comment are not appropriate or necessary.

PUBLICATION AND COMMENT

When the Court approves the publication of a proposed rule or amendment, the Clerk shall arrange for publication of the proposal in the Daily Legal News in Cleveland, Akron, Youngstown, and Toledo, at least once a week for two weeks. The Clerk shall also send notice of the proposal to the major bar associations in the Northern District of Ohio. The publication and notice shall include a deadline for submitting comments and suggestions on the proposal, no less than thirty days or more than sixty days after the publication is made or the notice is sent. The Clerk shall also post notice of the proposed rule or amendment and make copies of the proposal available in the Clerk's Office in all United States Court Houses in the Northern District of Ohio.

Comments and suggestions with respect to proposed rules or amendments should be directed to the Clerk of Court, Attention: Rules Committee, Carl B. Stokes United States Court House, 2-161, 801 W. Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113, or submitted by email to <u>publiccomment@ohnd.uscourts.gov</u>. The Clerk will direct all comments and suggestions to the Rules Committee.

REVIEW OF COMMENTS

At its next meeting following the deadline for submission of comments, the Rules Committee will review the proposed rule or amendment in light of any comments and suggestions it has received, and promptly make a recommendation to the Court whether the proposal should be adopted, with or without revision. If the Committee recommends any substantial change in the proposal, it may recommend an additional period for public notice and comment.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW AND AMENDED RULES

New local rules and amended local rules shall become effective thirty days after their adoption by the Court, unless the Court specifically provides for a different effective date.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT

Patricia A. Gaughan Chief Judge