

RATIONALES FOR PROPOSED REVISIONS

Rule 1	The proposed revision reflects the Court's adoption of the Case Management/Electronic Case Filing system (CM/ECF) and incorporates by reference the Court's Interim E-Rules for practices and procedures related to electronic filing (e-filing).
Rule 2	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice.
Rule 3	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice.
Rule 4	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice.
Rule 5	The proposed clarification comports with Court practice.
Rule 6	The proposed revisions address changes based on e-filing and are in accord with recent statutory amendments that recognize heightened privacy concerns as courts transition to electronic document handling.
Rule 8	The proposed revision clarifies the Rule in light of current practice.
Rule 10	The proposed revision implements current practice and refines procedures related to e-filing.
Rule 15	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice.
Rule 21	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice.
Rule 24	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice.
Rule 25	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice. The Rule sections were reorganized to simplify compliance.
Rule 26	The proposed revision streamlines procedures and promotes efficiency by decreasing the number of motions for extensions of time that are permitted.
Rule 27	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice.
Rule 28	The proposed revision includes a sample format for the Table of Authorities as recommended by the Court's Rules Advisory Committee. In addition, the proposed revision to the Rule makes clear that the entire original source document, rather than the Board decision, must be cited and provides detailed guidance about the contents of briefs.
Rule 28.1	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice.
Rule 29	The proposed revision provides more specific guidance for procedures pertaining to amici curiae.

Rule 30	This proposed revision more closely aligns the Rule to current practice and formalizes the process of filing notice with the Clerk.
Rule 31	The proposed revision makes clear that the failure to file a brief may result in sanctions.
Rule 32	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice. One of the changes requires that footnotes be single-spaced so that they can be readily distinguished in the brief.
Rule 33	This proposed revision updates the Rule to reflect Court practice and to incorporate the procedures of the conferencing process.
Rule 34	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice and includes reference to the Court's Oral Argument Guide for Counsel.
Rule 35	The proposed revision reflects Court practice and provides clearer guidance on requests for a panel decision.
Rule 36	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice.
Rule 37	The proposed revision reflects Court practice and updates procedures related to the conversion to electronic documents.
Rule 38	The proposed revision makes clear that myriad consequences may result from actions intended to impede the expeditious handling of cases.
Rule 39	The proposed revision sets out more specific guidance for the application process and expressly addresses the procedures for multiple representatives and non-attorney representatives.
Rule 40	The proposed revision updates the Rule.
Rule 41	The proposed revision clarifies Court practice.
Rule 42	No revision proposed.
Rule 43	The proposed revision provides more specific guidance on procedures to be followed upon the death of an appellant.
Rule 44	No revision proposed.
Rule 45	The proposed revision is an update necessitated by the adoption of e-filing and corresponds to Court practice.
Rule 46	The proposed revision clarifies the requirements of representation before the Court. It also reorganizes the provisions to simplify compliance.
Rule 46.1	No substantive revision proposed.
Rule 47	The proposed revision adjusts the filing schedule for expedited proceedings and reflects Court practice.

Rule 48	No substantive revision proposed.
Rule 49	No revision proposed.

Additional Proposed Revisions

Rationales

Rule 31	This proposed revision addresses concerns that the Rule 33 staff conference schedule disrupts the briefing period. The change provides a 45-day briefing time after a staff conference has been conducted.
Rule 33	This is a proposed companion revision to the proposed Rule 31 changes. The revision makes clear that the briefing schedule is modified in cases where a staff conference is conducted.
Rule 39	This proposed revision makes clear that a dispute resolution procedure applies to issues related to applications for attorneys fees and expenses and implements Court practice regarding same.