

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS

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MEMORANDUM

To: All United States Judges

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Judge Robert J. Conrad, Jr. Robert J. Conrad J. Director From:

RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

(IMPORTANT INFORMATION)

Congress has taken no action on the proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate, Bankruptcy, and Civil Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence adopted by the Supreme Court and transmitted to Congress on April 2, 2024. Under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2074 and 2075, and the Supreme Court orders dated April 2, 2024, the amendments govern all proceedings commenced on or after December 1, 2024, and all proceedings then pending "insofar as just and practicable." Links to the text of the amended rules, and the accompanying committee notes—along with extensive supporting documentation related to their adoption—are posted on the Current Rules page of the Judiciary's website.

Under the Rules Enabling Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2071-75, the following took effect on December 1, 2024:

Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure

Rule 32	Form of Briefs, Appendices, and Other Papers
Rule 35	(Transferred to Rule 40)
Rule 40	Panel Rehearing; En Banc Determination

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure

Restyled Rules	Parts I to IX
Rule 1007	Lists, Schedules, Statements, and Other Documents; Time to File
Rule 4004	Granting or Denying a Discharge
Rule 5009	Closing a Chapter 7, 12, 13, or 15 Case; Declaring Liens Satisfied
Rule 7001	Types of Adversary Proceedings
Rule 8023.1	Substitution of Parties
Rule 9006	Computing and Extending Time; Motions

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure

Rule 12	Defenses and Objections: When and How Presented; Motion for
	Judgment on the Pleadings; Consolidating Motions; Waiving Defenses;
	Pretrial Hearing

Federal Rules of Evidence

Rule 107	Illustrative Aids
Rule 613	Witness's Prior Statement
Rule 801	Definitions That Apply to This Article; Exclusions from Hearsay
Rule 804	Exceptions to the Rule Against Hearsay—When the Declarant Is
	Unavailable as a Witness
Rule 1006	Summaries to Prove Content

In addition, one official bankruptcy form was amended and one form was abrogated effective December 1, 2024. As approved by the Judicial Conference, amendments to official bankruptcy forms govern all proceedings in bankruptcy cases thereafter commenced and, insofar as just and practicable, all proceedings then pending. The amended form is posted on the <u>Bankruptcy Forms</u> page of the Judiciary's website.

Official Bankruptcy Forms

Form 410	Proof of Claim
Form 423	Certification About a Financial Management Course (abrogated)

Please consider posting an announcement of the newly effective rules on your court websites. Updated PDFs for each set of rules that include the newly effective rules and forms will be posted to the Current Rules page when they become available from the U.S. Government Publishing Office.

If you have questions about the status of any of the amendments, please contact the Rules Committee Staff at RulesCommittee Secretary@ao.uscourts.gov or 202-502-1820.