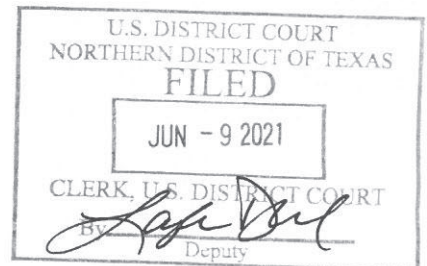


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS



**SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2-93**

1. By Special Order No. 2-92, the District Judges of this Court adopted amendments revising LR 83.12, LCrR 57.8(g), and LCrR 57.12.
2. Following receipt of public comment, the Court has determined to amend LR 83.12, LCrR 57.8(g), and LCrR 57.12 as set forth in the attachment to Special Order No. 2-92.
3. Amended LR 83.12, LCrR 57.8(g), and LCrR 57.12 take effect on September 1, 2021 and apply to all proceedings in civil and criminal actions thereafter commenced and, insofar as just and practicable, all proceedings in civil and criminal actions then pending.
4. The Clerk of Court is directed to make the necessary distribution.

**SO ORDERED.**

June 9, 2021

FOR THE COURT:



BARBARA M.G. LYNN  
CHIEF JUDGE

**2021 PROPOSED  
LOCAL RULES AMENDMENTS**

New material in an existing rule is **redlined**. Deleted material is ~~stricken out~~.

Local Civil Rules

**LR 83.12      Withdrawal **or Substitution** of Attorney.**

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), ~~or (c), or (d)~~ of this rule, an attorney desiring to withdraw in any case must file a motion to withdraw. This motion must, in addition to the matters required by LR 7.1, specify the reasons requiring withdrawal and provide the name and address of the succeeding attorney. If the succeeding attorney is not known, the motion must set forth the name, address, and telephone number of the client and either bear the client's signature approving withdrawal or state specifically why, after due diligence, the attorney was unable to obtain the client's signature.
- (b) When an Assistant United States Attorney enters an appearance in a case, another Assistant United States Attorney may replace the attorney by filing a notice of substitution that identifies the attorney being replaced. Unless the presiding judge otherwise directs, the notice effects the withdrawal of the attorney being replaced.
- (c) When the Federal Public Defender is appointed to represent a party and an Assistant Federal Public Defender enters an appearance in the case, another Assistant Federal Public Defender may replace the attorney who has entered an appearance by filing a notice of substitution that identifies the attorney being replaced. Unless the presiding judge otherwise directs, the notice effects the withdrawal of the attorney being replaced.
- (d) When an attorney desiring to withdraw is to be replaced simultaneously, the succeeding attorney must file a motion to substitute counsel. If the presiding judge grants the motion, the order effects both the substitution of the succeeding attorney and the withdrawal of the attorney being replaced. This subsection (d) does not supersede subsection (b) or (c) of this rule.

Local Criminal Rules

**LCrR 57.8 Loss of Membership and Discipline of Attorneys.**

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(g) **Appointment of Counsel.** ~~The judge reviewing an application for admission~~ A **presiding judge** shall have the right to appoint any member of the court's bar to assist in the handling of any proceeding contemplated by or resulting from this rule. An attorney appointed under this rule shall perform as requested unless relieved from doing so. An attorney desiring relief from appointment must move for such relief, which will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

**LCrR 57.12 Withdrawal or Substitution of Attorney.**

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