

Mechanical notes are appended to rule to provide an explanation of the changes made; however, the Court would like to highlight the following changes:

1. SC LBR 1017-2 consolidates several rules addressing grounds for dismissal of a case. The rule memorializes that a case may be dismissed for the failure to pay a filing fee and adds that a case trustee may certify a case for possible dismissal. The 341 Notice has also been amended to reflect this change.
2. SC LBR 1073-1 is a concise version of former SC LBR 2081-2. The current rule substantially clarifies when a case is subject to common assignment and consolidates several local forms into one form.
3. SC LBR 2081-1 is a new rule that establishes when a chapter 11 debtor must employ a claims and noticing agent. Large chapter 11 cases usually require such agents for efficient administration and this rule provides guidance to debtors so that such agents may be employed early in the case.
4. SC LBR 3015-1 and the form chapter 13 plan were substantially amended. Many portions of the former rule were placed in other provisions of the Local Rules to follow the numbering and naming conventions recommended by the Judicial Conference. Boilerplate language has been removed from the form chapter 13 plan and the plan has been substantially reorganized. **The implementation date for the new form plan is January 1, 2009.**
5. SC LBR 4001-1 was substantially amended. The Court extended the deadline to object to a motion for relief from the automatic stay from 10 days to 14 days. The Court removed former paragraph (a)(4) concerning payment history disputes. Many other provisions in paragraph (a) were deleted and incorporated into the [Chambers Guidelines](#).
6. SC LBR 4003-1 is a new rule and requires a debtor to detail the basis for a wildcard exemption claimed on Schedule C.
7. Exhibits to SC LBR 4003-2 were amended to track the lien avoidance procedure in the new chapter 13 form plan.
8. Exhibit A to SC LBR 4008-1 was amended. The new Exhibit A requires a debtor to clearly identify on the first page when the agreement was signed and filed in relation to the 341 hearing pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 521 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4008, as amended. The new Exhibit also requires a debtor to detail in Part D any discrepancy between income and expenses disclosed in Schedules I and J and that disclosed in Part D of the Reaffirmation Agreement.

9. SC LBR 5075-1 specifically allows the Clerk of Court to delegate noticing to other parties. This rule incorporates certain delegations allowed under former SC LBR 2081-1(c)(1) and adds other categories of noticing for which the Clerk may delegate without a Court order.
10. SC LBR 6004-1(a), allowing a trustee give general notice at the 341 hearing of an intent to sell non-exempt property valued at less than \$2,500 was deleted. Paragraph (d) was added to clarify that the passive procedure process does not apply in chapter 11 cases.
11. Exhibit A to SC LBR 9013-4 was amended to eliminate some pleadings from the approved list of passive motions, clarify that the deadlines set forth therein are objection deadlines, and make the deadline to respond to an objection to a claim of a governmental entity consistent with the deadline to respond to other claim objections.
12. Operating Orders 06-11 (Order Adopting Revised Interim Rule 1007); 07-06 (Order re: Local Rule 1019-1 and Exhibit A, Exhibit B, and Exhibit C to Local Rule 3015-1); and 08-02 (Order Adopting Local Rule 2090-2) were abrogated as necessary portions of these Operating Orders were incorporated into the Local Rules.

Many other changes were made to follow the numbering and naming conventions recommended by Judicial Conference and all of the Interim Rules were abrogated except for 5012, which was adopted as a local rule pending its adoption as a national rule. Where practicable, similar provisions in many different rules, such as the requirement to file a certificate of service (9013-3) and the striking of documents not filed in conformance with the rules (9011-3), were deleted from individual rules and consolidated into one rule. Other provisions that merely stated the law were deleted as unnecessary.

Amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure can be found on the Judiciary's Rulemaking site at <http://www.uscourts.gov/rules>. Certain procedural and official forms were also modified and can be found on the same site. Where applicable, the Court has updated its website and CM/ECF to reflect and accommodate these modifications. A table of renumbered Local Rules can also be found in the [November 10 announcement](#) along with other highlighted changes. The Court is finalizing editorial notes that will appear in a future version of the Local Rules.

The Judges and the Clerk would like to thank all of those who contributed in this effort.