

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, Civil, and Criminal Procedure adopted by the Supreme Court and transmitted to Congress on April 26, 2018. Under the Rules Enabling Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2071-75, the following took effect on December 1, 2018:

Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure

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| Rule 8 | Stay or Injunction Pending Appeal |
| Rule 11 | Forwarding the Record |
| Rule 25 | Filing and Service |
| Rule 26 | Computing and Extending Time |
| Rule 28.1 | Cross-Appeals |
| Rule 29 | Brief of an Amicus Curiae |
| Rule 31 | Serving and Filing Briefs |
| Rule 39 | Costs |
| Rule 41 | Mandate: Contents; Issuance and Effective Date; Stay |
| Form 4 | Affidavit Accompanying Motion for Permission to Appeal in Forma Pauperis |
| Form 7 | Declaration of Inmate Filing |

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure

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| Rule 3002.1 | Notice Relating to Claims Secured by Security Interest in the Debtor's Principal Residence |
| Rule 5005 | Filing and Transmittal of Papers |
| Rule 7004 | Process; Service of Summons, Complaint |
| Rule 7062 | Stay of Proceedings to Enforce a Judgment |
| Rule 8002 | Time for Filing Notice of Appeal |
| Rule 8006 | Certifying a Direct Appeal to the Court of Appeals |
| Rule 8007 | Stay Pending Appeal; Bonds; Suspension of Proceedings |
| Rule 8010 | Completing and Transmitting the Record |

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| Rule 8011 | Filing and Service; Signature |
| Rule 8013 | Motions; Intervention |
| Rule 8015 | Form and Length of Briefs; Form of Appendices and Other Papers |
| Rule 8016 | Cross-Appeals |
| Rule 8017 | Brief of an Amicus Curiae |
| Rule 8018.1 (new) | District-Court Review of a Judgment that the Bankruptcy Court Lacked the Constitutional Authority to Enter |
| Rule 8021 | Costs |
| Rule 8022 | Motion for Rehearing |
| Rule 9025 | Security: Proceedings Against Security Providers |
| Part VIII Appendix (new) | Appendix: Length Limits Stated in Part VIII of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure |

Federal Rules of Civil Procedure

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| Rule 5 | Serving and Filing Pleadings and Other Papers |
| Rule 23 | Class Actions |
| Rule 62 | Stay of Proceedings to Enforce a Judgment |
| Rule 65.1 | Proceedings Against a Security Provider |

Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

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| Rule 12.4 | Disclosure Statement |
| Rule 45 | Computing and Extending Time |
| Rule 49 | Serving and Filing Papers |

Under 28 U.S.C. § 2074(a) and the Supreme Court orders dated April 26, 2018, the amendments govern all proceedings commenced on or after December 1, 2018, and all proceedings then pending “insofar as just and practicable.” The text of the new and amended rules and forms, 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 at:
<http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/current-rules-practice-procedure>.

In addition, the following amended official bankruptcy forms and new and amended Director’s forms became effective on December 1, 2018. As approved by the Judicial Conference, amendments to the official bankruptcy forms govern all proceedings in bankruptcy cases thereafter commenced and, insofar as just and practicable, all proceedings then pending. The forms are posted on the website at:
<http://www.uscourts.gov/forms/bankruptcy-forms>.

Official Bankruptcy Forms

Official Form 411A General Power of Attorney
Official Form 411B Special Power of Attorney
Official Form 417A Notice of Appeal and Statement of Election
Official Form 417C Certificate of Compliance with Type-Volume Limit, Typeface Requirements, and Type-Style Requirements

Director’s Forms

Form 2000 Required Lists, Schedules, Statements, and Fees
Form 3180W Order of Discharge in Chapter 13 Case
Form 4170 (new) Declaration of Inmate Filing