



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE  
UNITED STATES COURTS

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MEMORANDUM

To: All United States Judges  
Circuit Executives  
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Clerks, United States Courts  
Federal Public/Community Defenders  
Chief Probation Officers  
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Bankruptcy Administrators  
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From: Judge John D. Bates 

RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE  
**(IMPORTANT INFORMATION)**

Congress has taken no action on the amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate, Bankruptcy, Civil, and Criminal Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence adopted by the Supreme Court and transmitted to Congress on April 25, 2014. Under the Rules Enabling Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2071-75, the following amendments take effect on December 1, 2014:

- Appellate Rule 6
- Bankruptcy Rules 1014, 7004, 7008, 7054, 8001–8028, 9023, and 9024
- Civil Rule 77
- Criminal Rules 5, 6, 12, 34, and 58
- Evidence Rules 801(d)(1)(B) and 803(6)–(8)

Under 28 U.S.C. § 2074(a) and the Supreme Court orders dated April 25, 2014, the amendments will govern all proceedings commenced on or after December 1, 2014, and all proceedings then pending “insofar as just and practicable.”

The text of the amended rules as well as extensive supporting documentation—including excerpts from the reports of the Judicial Conference Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure containing the Committee Notes, which are part of House Documents 113-161, 113-162, 113-163, 113-164, and 113-165—can be found on the Judiciary’s Federal Rules of Practice & Procedure website at: <http://www.uscourts.gov/RulesAndPolicies/rules.aspx>. We will notify you when pamphlets containing the rules as amended become available from the Office of the Law Revision Counsel and the Government Printing Office.

In addition, the following Official Bankruptcy Forms take effect on December 1, 2014:

- B 3A Application for Individuals to Pay the Filing Fee in Installments
- B 3B Application to Have the Chapter 7 Filing Fee Waived
- B 06 Summary
- B 17A Notice of Appeal and Statement of Election
- B 17B Optional Appellee Statement of Election to Proceed in District Court
- B 17C Certificate of Compliance with Rule 8015(a)(7)(B) or 8016(d)(2)
- B 22A-1 Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income
- B 22A-1 Supp Statement of Exemption from Presumption of Abuse Under § 707(b)(2)
- B 22A-2 Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation
- B 22B Chapter 11 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income
- B 22C-1 Chapter 13 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income and Calculation of Commitment Period
- B 22C-2 Chapter 13 Calculation of Your Disposable Income