

## Circuit Rule 32

### Form of Briefs, Appendices, and Other Papers

**(a) Form of Briefs.** Except as provided below, the form of briefs is governed by FRAP 28.1 and 32(a).

~~(1) **Typeface.** If a brief uses a proportionally spaced face as allowed by FRAP 32(a)(5), the court will accept a proportionally spaced face of 11-point or larger.~~

~~(2) **Length of Briefs.** In calculating the number of words and lines that do not count toward the word and line limitations, the certificate required by Circuit Rule 28(a)(1), the glossary, and any addendum containing evidence in support of the claim of standing required by Circuit Rule 28(a)(7), may be excluded, in addition to the items listed in FRAP 32(a)(7)(B)(iii).~~

#### ~~(3) **Length of Briefs for Intervenors.**~~

~~(A) **Page limitation.** A principal brief for an intervenor may not exceed 19 pages, and a reply brief 9 pages, unless it complies with Circuit Rule 32(a)(3)(B).~~

#### ~~(B) **Type-volume limitation.**~~

~~(i) A principal brief is acceptable if:~~

- ~~• it contains no more than 8,750 words; or~~
- ~~• it uses a monospaced face and contains no more than 813 lines of text.~~

~~(ii) A reply brief is acceptable if it contains no more than half of the type volume specified in Circuit Rule 32(a)(3)(B)(I).~~

~~(C) **Certificate.** If a type-volume limitation is used, the brief must contain the certificate of compliance required by FRAP 32(a)(7)(C).~~

~~(4) **Length of Briefs for Amici Curiae not Appointed by the Court.** See FRAP 29(d).~~

**(b) Pleading by Letter.** Except as prescribed by FRAP 28(j), parties, other than pro se litigants proceeding in forma pauperis, may not plead by letter.

**(c) Nonconforming Papers.** If the court receives any submission that does not conform substantially to the requirements of the FRAP or these rules, the clerk will promptly notify the person making the submission and direct that person to cure the defect or submit an appropriate motion. See FRAP 25(a)(4).

See also Circuit Rule 28 (Briefs).