

United States Court of Appeals

District of Columbia Circuit
Washington, D.C. 20001-2866

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NOTICE OF FINAL RULES

Pursuant to D.C. Circuit Rule 47, the court proposed amendments to Circuit Rules 5, 8, 18, 27, 29, 32, and 35, which conform to amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure that will become effective on December 1, 2016. The proposed amendments were published for public comment on October 11, 2016. One comment was received.

The comment opposed the adoption of the new length limitation for principal briefs established by the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure. Alternatively, the comment suggested amending Circuit Rule 28(e)(1) “to provide a more flexible standard for justifying” requests to extend length limitations.

The court has accorded the comment full consideration and has decided to adhere to the Federal Rule length limit. The court requires more time to evaluate the alternative proposal properly and will address the suggested amendment to Circuit Rule 28(e)(1) at a future date.

Accordingly, the court has ordered that the amendments previously proposed be adopted effective December 1, 2016. Corresponding modifications to the Circuit’s Handbook of Practice and Internal Procedures will also become effective on that date.

Extracts from the Circuit Rules and Handbook reflecting the amendments will be available on the court’s web site at www.cadc.uscourts.gov under “Events and Announcements” and “Rules & Procedures.” A revised version of the Circuit Rules and Handbook will also be posted on the court’s web site.

Copies of this Notice are being published by the means specified in D.C. Circuit Rule 47(c).

Date: December 1, 2016

Mark J. Langer, Clerk