

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
GENERAL ORDER 12 - 0016**

The full Court met in executive session on Monday, May 14, 2012 and approved an amendment to Local Rule 5.8 regarding Filing Materials Under Seal. The proposed amendment was published with comments due on April 13, 2012. No comments were received from the Public.

The Court's Rules Advisory Committee reviewed the rule at its meeting on May 1, 2012 and approved the amendment as published.

The Court's Rules Committee discussed the rule at its meeting on May 10, 2012. It recommended that the full Court adopt the proposal as published.

The full Court considered the recommendation of the Rules Committee at its meeting on May 14, 2012 and agreed to modify Local Rule 5.8. Therefore,

By direction of the full Court, which met in executive session on Monday, May 14, 2012,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Local Rule 5.8 Filing Materials Under Seal be amended as follows (additions shown thus, deletions shown ~~thus~~):

**LR5.8. Filing Materials Under Seal**

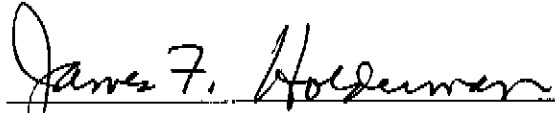
Any document to be filed under seal shall be filed in compliance with procedures established by the Clerk of Court and approved by the Executive Committee. Where pursuant to court order as a restricted or sealed document as defined by LR26.2 is not filed electronically, it must be accompanied by a cover sheet which shall include the following:

- (A) the caption of the case, including the case number;
- (B) the title "~~Restricted Sealed~~ Document Pursuant to LR26.2";
- (C) a statement indicating that the document is filed ~~as restricted~~ under seal in accordance with an order of court and the date of that order; and
- (D) the signature of the attorney of record or unrepresented party filing the document, the attorney's or party's name and address, including e-mail address if the attorney or party is registered as a Filing User of electronic case filing, and the title of the document.

Any document purporting to be a ~~restricted or sealed~~ document as defined in LR26.2 that is not filed in compliance with such procedures shall be processed like any other document. In such instances, where the document has not been filed electronically, the clerk is authorized to open

the sealed envelope and remove the materials for processing.

ENTER:  
FOR THE COURT

  
Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012