

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
GENERAL ORDER 21-0010**

**BLANKET TECHNICAL AMENDMENT
TO THE LOCAL RULES**

The full Court met in executive session on Thursday, February 18, 2021 and approved a Blanket Technical Amendment to all Local Rules and Criminal Local Rules of this Court. The Amendment will ensure that the titles of and references to Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules use the same naming convention, with Local Rules referred to as LR XX.X and Local Criminal Rules as LCR XX.X.

At its meeting on Friday, January 8, 2021, the Advisory Committee for the Study of Rules and Practice (Rules Advisory Committee) reviewed the District Court Local Rules. After discussion, the Rules Advisory Committee recommended that the Court's Rules Committee consider implementing a Blanket Technical Amendment to all Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules. The Rules Advisory Committee encouraged the use of a consistent naming convention in all references to Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules throughout the District Court's catalog of Local Rules, specifically: LR XX.X and LCR XX.X. The Rules Advisory Committee further endorsed the inclusion of a Comment to the Local Rules, advising attorneys of the updated naming convention and the requirement that all citations to the Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules conform to the new format.

At its meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2021, the Court's Rules Committee considered the Local Rules packet and the modifications proposed by the Rules Advisory Committee. It recommended that the full Court adopt both a proposed Blanket Technical Amendment and Comment to all Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules.

The full Court considered the recommendation of the Rules Committee and approved both a Blanket Technical Amendment and a Comment to all Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules. Therefore,

By direction of the full Court, which met in executive session on Thursday, February 18, 2021,

IT IS ORDERED that effective immediately, the Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules of this Court are technically amended for naming consistency, specifically: LR XX.X and LCR XX.X.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules are amended to include a Comment advising attorneys of the updated naming convention and the requirement that all citations to the Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules conform to the new naming format, with all Local Rules and Local Criminal Rules cited as LR XX.X and all Local Criminal Rules as LCR XX.X.

ENTER:

FOR THE COURT

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Rebecca R. Pallmeyer", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above a horizontal line.

Hon. Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 5th day of March 2021