

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
GENERAL ORDER 17 - 0016**

The full Court met in executive session on Thursday, October 19, 2017 and approved a technical amendment to Local Rule 40.1 Assignment of Cases: General. This technical amendment did not require publication for comment.

The Court's Rules Committee considered the rule at its meeting on October 12, 2017. It recommended that the full Court adopt the proposed technical amendment to Local Rule 40.1.

The full Court considered the recommendation of the Rules Committee at its meeting on October 19, 2017 and agreed to modify Local Rule 40.1. Therefore,

By direction of the full Court, which met in executive session on Thursday, October 19, 2017,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Local Rule 40.1 Assignment of Cases: General, be technically amended as follows (additions shown thus, deletions shown ~~thus~~).

LR40.1. Assignment of Cases: General
Local Rule

(a) General. The rules of this Court and any procedures adopted by the Court that deal with the assignment and reassignment of cases shall be construed to secure an equitable distribution of cases, both in quantity and kind, among the judges. Except as specifically provided by the rules of this Court or by procedures adopted by the Court, the assignment of cases shall be by lot.

(b) Supervision of Assignment System. The assignment of cases to calendars and judges and the preparation of calendars and supplements thereto shall be done solely under the direction of the Executive Committee by the clerk or a deputy clerk who is designated by the clerk as an assignment clerk.

(c) Contempt. Any person who violates the case assignment procedures shall be punished for contempt of court.

(d) Condition of Reassignment. No case shall be transferred or reassigned from the calendar of a judge of this Court to the calendar of any other judge except as provided by the rules of this Court or as ordered by the Executive Committee.

(e) Calendars. In each Division of the Court there shall be criminal, civil and Executive Committee calendars. The cases on the criminal and civil calendars of the court shall be assigned among the judges in the manner prescribed by the rules of this Court. The