

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

GENERAL ORDER 24-0010

The full Court met in executive session on December 21, 2023 and approved proposed amendments to Local Rule 26.3 Discovery Materials Offered in Evidence as Exhibit. The proposed amendments were published with comments due on March 1, 2024. Neither the Rules Advisory Committee nor the Public submitted comments.

The Rules Committee considered the proposed amendments and the report of the Rules Advisory Committee at its meeting on March 14, 2024. The Rules Committee approved the recommendations from the Rules Advisory Committee and recommended that the full Court adopt Local Rule 26.3 as proposed.

The full Court considered the recommendation of the Rules Committee at its meeting on Thursday, March 28, 2024, and agreed to adopt Local Rule 26.3 as proposed.

By direction of the full Court,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Local Rule 26.3 be implemented as published by the Rules Committee as attached (additions shown thus, deletions shown ~~thus~~). The Rule is effective immediately, pending the approval of the Seventh Circuit Judicial Council.

ENTER:
FOR THE COURT



Hon Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 29th day of March 2024

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Amended INSERT DATE

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Amended March 28, 2024