

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
GENERAL ORDER 16 - 0012**

The full Court met in executive session on Thursday, May 19, 2016 and approved a technical amendment to Local Rule 83.17, Withdrawal, Addition, and Substitution of Counsel. This is a technical amendment and does not require publication for comment.

The Court's Rules Committee considered the rule on May 12, 2016. It recommended that the full Court adopt the proposed amendment to Local Rule 83.17.

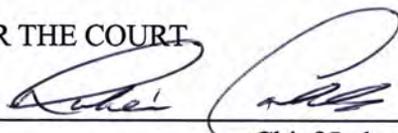
The full Court considered the recommendation of the Rules Committee at its meeting on May 19, 2016 and agreed to modify Local Rule 83.17. Therefore,

By direction of the full Court, which met in executive session on Thursday, May 19, 2016, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Local Rule 83.17, Withdrawal, Addition, and Substitution of Counsel, be technically amended as follows (additions shown thus, deletions shown ~~thus~~.

LR83_17. Withdrawal, Addition, and Substitution of Counsel
Local Rule

Once an attorney has filed an appearance form pursuant to [LR83.16](#), that attorney is the attorney of record for the party represented for all purposes incident to the proceeding in which the appearance was filed. The attorney of record may not withdraw, nor may any other attorney file an appearance on behalf of the same party or as a substitute for the attorney of record, without first obtaining leave of court, except that substitutions or additions may be made without motion where both counsel are of the same firm. Where the appearance indicates that pursuant to these rules a member of the trial bar is acting as a supervisor or is accompanying a member of the bar, the member of the trial bar included in the appearance may not withdraw, nor may another member be added or substituted, without first obtaining leave of court. Where an attorney withdraws from representing a party in a case and no other attorney has an active appearance on the docket for that party, the form [Notification of Party contact Information](#) must be electronically filed as an attachment to the motion to withdraw.

FOR THE COURT



Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 27th day of May, 2016