

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

**PROPOSAL TO AMEND
LOCAL RULE 83.15**

On September 28, 2022, the full Court approved a proposal to remove Local Rule 83.15 *Local Counsel: Designation for Service* from the Civil Rules of this Court as attached (additions shown thus, and deletions shown ~~thus~~):

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COMMENT: By direction of the full Court and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2071(e) regarding appropriate public notice and opportunity for comment, the Clerk is directed to: (a) cause notice of the proposal to abrogate Local Rule 83.15 to be published in the *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin*, (b) cause notice of the proposal to abrogate and requests for comment to be posted on the web site for the United States District Court Northern District of Illinois, (c) cause notice of the proposal to abrogate to be posted in the Courthouses at Chicago and Rockford, (d) indicate in such notice a final date for receipt of comments, which date shall be sixty days from the first date of publication in the *Law Bulletin*, (e) collect and distribute among the members of the Advisory Committee for Local Rules all comments received, and (f) following receipt of a copy of the report and recommendation of the Advisory Committee, distribute copies of the comments together with copies of the report and recommendation among the members of the Court for consideration at a regular meeting of the full Court.

ENTER:
FOR THE COURT



Hon Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 24th day of February 2023

LR 83.15 Local Counsel: Designation for Service

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(b) Penalties. Where a nonresident attorney tenders documents without the required designation of local counsel, the Clerk shall process them as if the designation were filed and shall promptly notify the attorney in writing that the designation must be made within 30 days. If the attorney fails to file the designation within that time, the documents filed by the attorney may be stricken by the court.

(c) Duties of Local Counsel. Local counsel shall be responsible for receiving service of notices, pleadings, and other documents and promptly notifying the nonresident attorney of their receipt and contents. In emergencies, local counsel may appear on behalf of the nonresident attorney. This rule does not require local counsel to handle any substantive aspects of the litigation. Nor does the rule require local counsel to sign any pleading, motion or other paper (See [Fed.R.Civ.P. 11](#)).

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