

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA



**ORDER ADOPTING LOCAL RULES OF CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PRACTICE** )  
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The Local Rules Committee for the Middle District of North Carolina proposed new or amended rules for Local Civil Rules 5.1, 5.3, 5.4, 7.1, 7.3, 7.4, 11.1, 16.1, 16.2, 16.3, 26.1, 26.2, 37.1, 40.1, 67.1, 72.4, 83.1, 83.9, 83.10, 103.6 and 103.7. The Local Rules Committee also proposed amendments to Local Criminal Rules 32.2 and 57.1.

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 83 and Fed R. Crim. P. 57, this Court gave appropriate public notice and opportunity to comment, and no comments were received regarding the proposed amendments.

The Court had initially approved all amendments, effective May 1, 2017. However, it became apparent that there was an error in the word count for briefs in Local Civil Rules 7.3(d), 40.1(c) and 56.1(c), and an error in the word count for objections and responses to magistrate judge recommendations in Local Civil Rule 72.4. On August 7, 2017, proposed amendments correcting the word counts in Local Civil Rules 7.3(d), 40.1(c), 56.1(c) and 72.4 were noticed to the public with an opportunity to provide comment. Upon consideration of public comment and comments from the Court's Local Rules Committee,

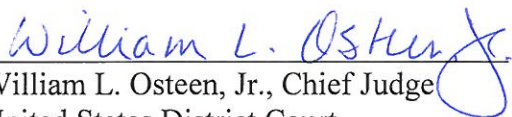
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the 9,000 and 4,500 word counts used in Local Civil Rules 7.3(d), 40.1(c), 56.1(c) and 72.4 are hereby corrected to 6,250 and 3,125. All other amendments proposed by the Local Rules Committee and contained in the Local Civil and Criminal Rules, effective May 1, 2017, shall remain in effect and are approved.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall alert the public of this order and

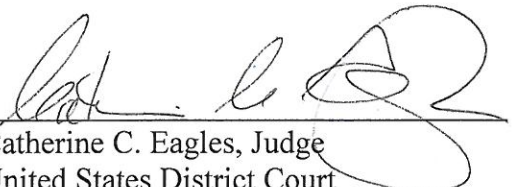
the corrected amended rules through prominent display on the Court's website and shall provide notice of the local rule amendments to this Court's bar through the CM/ECF electronic noticing system.

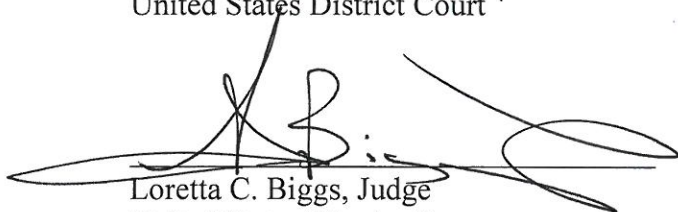
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall be effective 14 days after it is marked filed by the Clerk of Court and posted on the Court's Internet website.

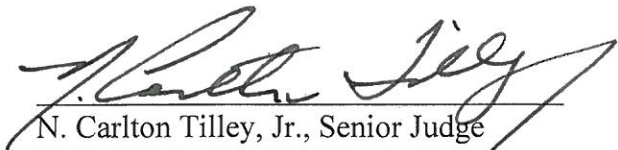
This the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

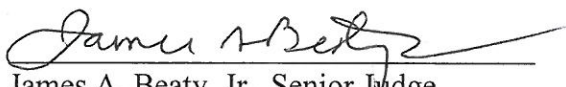
  
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