



February 5, 2018

Re: Request for Suggested Changes to the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

Dear Federal Practitioners:

We write to you as the co-chairs of the Local Rules Review Committee created pursuant to LR Gen 113(b)(1) of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island. Each year, the Committee must review the Local Rules, and recommend proposed amendments to the Court. The Committee is then required to report to the Court on any changes to the Local Rules, and this year's report is due on or before June 30, 2018.

The purpose of this letter is to request suggestions regarding the Local Rules. Specifically, we would like to know whether any new rules should be added, and whether any existing rules should be amended or deleted.

We ask that all suggestions be provided in writing to the Clerk of Court in the format described below by March 5, 2018. Suggestions may be submitted by email to Local_Rules@rid.uscourts.gov, or by mail to the United States District Court, Attn: Local Rules, One Exchange Terrace, Providence, RI 02903.

In order for the Committee to review your suggestions, we ask that any suggestions provide the following information:

- If you are suggesting that the Court amend a rule, please identify the rule, provide the text of the amendment, and state the reason(s) for the suggested change.
- If you are suggesting that a new rule be added to the Local Rules, provide the text of the new rule, describe where you believe the new rule should be inserted, and state the reason(s) for the new rule.
- If you are suggesting that the Court eliminate an existing rule, provide the text of the rule you are suggesting be eliminated, and state the reason(s) for the suggested change.

A list of the members of the Local Rules Review Committee and their terms has been posted on the Court's website. The Committee looks forward to hearing from members of the bar and other interested parties.

Best Regards,

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