

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON AMENDMENT TO  
LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2090-1(E)(2)**

Comments are invited to a proposed amendment to Rule 2990-1(E)(2), Local Bankruptcy Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. The Local Bankruptcy Rule, as amended, shall take effect December 1, 2009.

The amendment to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2090-1(E)(2) requires that applicants for *pro hac vice* admission complete a written application, which is to be appended to the motion made by a member of the Bar of the Court seeking the applicant's admission to appear and practice in that capacity in cases before the Court. The Rule also makes provision for an attorney appearing in an Adversary Proceeding and in a reopened case. The Rule and application form are attached to this Notice.

The amendment to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2090-1(E)(2) will be available at the Alexandria, Norfolk, Richmond and Newport News divisions of the Court and may be accessed at the Court's Internet web site: <http://www.vaeb.uscourts.gov/home/localrules.html> under Local Rules > Public Notice.

Comments may be submitted, by mail, to:

Local Rules Change  
c/o William C. Redden  
U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
701 East Broad Street  
Suite 4000  
Richmond, VA 23219-1888

or, by e-mail, at:

[Localrules@vaeb.uscourts.gov](mailto:Localrules@vaeb.uscourts.gov)

Comments will be received by mail or at the Court's web site until 5:00 p.m., local time, Friday, November 20, 2009.

William C. Redden  
Clerk of Court

Date: November 6, 2009

Attachments

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY  
COURT  
for the  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

**AMENDMENT TO  
LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2090-1(E)(2)**



Effective December 1, 2009  
(Version 11/05/09)

## RULE 2090-1 ATTORNEYS – RIGHT TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE COURT

### (E) *Other Attorneys*

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#### (2) *Foreign Attorneys:*

(a) *Application:* An attorney from another state, the District of Columbia or a territory of the United States may appear and practice in cases *pro hac vice* before this Court upon motion of a member of the Bar of this Court, provided that in all appearances said attorney shall be accompanied by a member of this Bar. Applicants for *pro hac vice* admission shall complete a written application, which shall be appended to and incorporated by reference in the aforesaid motion. As a part of the application, the applicant shall certify that the said applicant has within 90 days prior to the application read or reread (1) the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (FRCP), (2) the Federal Rules of Evidence, (3) the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP), and (4) the Local Bankruptcy Rules of this Court. If the Court finds the application otherwise appropriate, the Court may order the *pro hac vice* admission of the applicant. Except where a party is not represented by counsel, any pleading or notice required to be signed by counsel must be signed by counsel who is a member of the Bar of this Court, who shall have entered an appearance of record in the case, with the office address in the state where notice can be served, and who shall have such authority that the Court can deal with that attorney alone in all matters connected with the case. Such appearance shall not be withdrawn without leave of the Court. Service of notice or other proceedings on the attorney shall be equivalent to service on the client. Where a party is not represented by counsel, the party shall include on each pleading an address within the district where notice can be served.

(b) *Adversary Proceedings:* An attorney intending to appear in an Adversary Proceeding shall file the motion only in the case in which an Adversary Proceeding is pending. Admission shall apply to the case and all related Adversary Proceedings.

(c) *Reopened Cases:* A foreign attorney wishing to appear in a reopened case shall file a separate motion to appear in the case notwithstanding entry of any order in the case granting admission.

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APPLICATION TO QUALIFY AS A FOREIGN ATTORNEY UNDER  
LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 2090-1(E)(2)

In Case No.: \_\_\_\_\_,\* Case Name \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL STATEMENT

FULL NAME (no initials, please) \_\_\_\_\_  
Bar Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Dial # \_\_\_\_\_ FAX # \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Office **Mailing** Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) of federal court(s) in which I have been admitted \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the rules of the federal court in the district in which I maintain my office extend a similar *pro hac vice* admission privilege to members of the bar of the Eastern District of Virginia.

I have not been reprimanded in any court nor has there been any action in any court pertaining to my conduct or fitness as a member of the bar.

I hereby certify that, within 90 days before the submission of this application, I have read the Local Rules of this Court and that my knowledge of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence is current.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant's Signature)

I, the undersigned, do certify that I am a member of the bar of this Court, not related to the applicant; that I know the applicant personally, that the said applicant possesses all of the qualifications required for admission to the bar of this Court; that I have examined the applicant's personal statement. I affirm that his/her personal and professional character and standing are good, and petition the court to admit the applicant *pro hac vice*.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Typed or Printed Name)

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\**Pro hac vice* admission in a case shall include an adversary proceeding(s) in the case.

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Court Use Only:

The motion for admission is GRANTED \_\_\_\_\_ or DENIED \_\_\_\_\_

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(Judge's Signature)

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(Date)