

COURT NOTICES

AMENDMENT OF RULE

Rules of the Chief Administrator

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and with the advice and consent of the Administrative Board of the Courts, I hereby amend, effective immediately, section 5 of Appendix A (Standards and Guidelines) of Part 137 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator, relating to the Fee Dispute Resolution Program, to read as follows:

Section 5. Responsibilities of Local Programs

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[E. Local programs shall be responsible for maintaining all necessary files, records and documents required for purposes of the operation of the Program, in accordance with the Records Retention and Disposition Schedule for the Fee Dispute Resolution program prepared by the Office of Court Administration's Office of Records Management under Part 104 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator.]

AMENDMENT OF RULE

Rules of the Chief Administrator

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and with the advice and consent of the Administrative Board of the Courts, I hereby amend, effective immediately, section 8(B) of Appendix A (Standards and Guidelines) of Part 137 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator, relating to the Fee Dispute Resolution Program, to read as follows:

Section 8. Selection and Assignment of Neutrals

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B. Unless otherwise approved by the Board:

1. Disputes involving a sum of less than [\$6,000] \$10,000 shall be submitted to one attorney arbitrator;

2. Disputes involving a sum of [\$6,000] \$10,000 or more shall be submitted to a panel of three arbitrators, which shall include at least one nonlawyer member of the public.

AMENDMENT OF RULE

Uniform Civil Rules of the Supreme and County Courts

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and with the advice and consent of the Administrative Board of the Courts, I hereby amend, effective immediately, section 150.2 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator of the Courts, relating to Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commissions, to read as follows:

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§ 150.2. Membership

(a) Each qualification commission shall have 15 members appointed as follows:

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(5) For purposes of section 150.2(a)(6) only, commissioner appointees of local bar associations shall be concurrently appointed by the Chief Administrative Judge.

(6) The chairs and members of the Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commissions are expressly authorized to participate in a State-sponsored volunteer program within the meaning of Public Officers Law section 17(1)(a).

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AMENDMENT OF RULE

Uniform Civil Rules of the Supreme and County Courts

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and with the advice and consent of the Administrative Board of the Courts, I hereby amend, effective February 17, 2014, section 202.70(a) of the Uniform Civil Rules of the Supreme and County Courts, relating to monetary thresholds for the Commercial Division, to read as follows:

§ 202.70. Rules of the Commercial Division of the Supreme Court

(a) Monetary Thresholds

Except as set forth in subdivision (b), the monetary thresholds of the Commercial Division, exclusive of punitive damages, interests, costs, disbursements and counsel fees claimed, are established as follows:

Albany County \$25,000

Eighth Judicial District \$50,000

Kings County \$75,000

Nassau County \$100,000

New York County [\$150,000] \$500,000

Onondaga County \$25,000

Queens County \$50,000

Seventh Judicial District \$50,000

Suffolk County \$50,000

Westchester County \$100,000

