

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE UNIFORM LOCAL RULES

Pursuant to Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Public Notice is hereby given of the proposed amendments to the Uniform Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of Louisiana.

LR 41.1E, Dismissals, and LR 83.1E, Naturalization, are amended to read as follows, with the new language underlined and the old language lined through:

Local Rule 41.1E Dismissals

Except as provided in *FRCvP 41(a)(1)*, if an attorney proposes to dismiss a suit with the intention of refileing it he or she must bring this to the attention of the judge of the division and section (as applicable) to which the suit has been allotted and obtain ~~express leave to refile, either in the dismissal order or in a separate order.~~

Local Rule 83.1E Naturalization

~~All petitions for naturalization and matters pertaining to them shall be heard and tried as directed by the court.~~ The district court administers the Oath of Allegiance to applicants for naturalization.

Comments may be made in writing addressed to the Clerk of Court before May 14, 2004.

April 8, 2004

Loretta G. Whyte, Clerk