



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
Office of the District Court Executive

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL RULES

At their regular meeting on December 1, 2025, the Judges of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan approved amendments to LR 16.3, Alternative Dispute Resolution: General Provisions and LR 83.20, Attorney Admission. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 83, the proposed amendments were previously published for comment.

These amendments will be effective January 1, 2026.

[Additions are indicated by underline, and deletions by strikethrough.]

LR 16.3: Alternative Dispute Resolution: General Provisions

(a) – (d) [Unchanged]

(e) **Judicial Officers.** District judges, bankruptcy judges, and magistrate judges performing alternative dispute resolution functions, such as serving as mediators or settlement conference judges, act in their capacity as federal judicial officers.

(f) – (h) [Unchanged]

LR 83.20: Attorney Admission

(a) – (c) [Unchanged]

(d) **Procedure for Admission.**

(1) – (3) [Unchanged]

(4) If the Court grants the application, the applicant must take the oath of office. ~~An applicant with an office in the district must personally appear to take the oath before a judicial officer. A judicial officer may designate the clerk or a deputy clerk to administer the oath.~~ An applicant ~~without an office in the district~~ may take the oath in person, by telephone, or by videoconference before a judicial officer. The clerk then will issue a certificate of admission. A judicial officer may designate the clerk or a deputy clerk to administer the oath.

(e) – (j) [Unchanged]

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