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MEMORANDUM

TO | Members of the Federal Bar
FROM | Larry W. Propes, Clerk of Court
DATE | January 24, 2012
RE | Changes to Local Rules

We have posted on our public Web site at www.scd.uscourts.gov under “What’s New” an Order rescinding Local Civil Rule 83.III.02 and Local Criminal Rule 57.II.02. These changes are effective immediately.

You have an opportunity to comment on these changes. Any modifications necessary as a result of public comment will be considered after March 1, 2012, the expiration date for receiving said comments. Comments should be sent to:

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IN RE:)
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Rescission of)
Local Civil Rule 83.III.02 and)
Local Criminal Rule 57.II.02.)
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ORDER

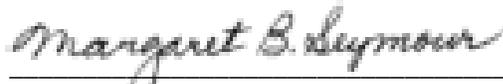
Upon due consideration by the Court, Local Civil Rule 83.III.02 and Local Criminal Rule 57.II.02 of the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, which deal with public comment by attorneys, are hereby rescinded. Local Civil Rule 83.I.08, RDE IV.B, adopting the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct except as otherwise provided, and South Carolina Rule of Professional Conduct 3.6 (“Trial Publicity”) will govern public comment by attorneys in civil and criminal cases filed in this Court.

Pursuant to Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, proper public notice of the rescission of these Local Rules and opportunity for comment are hereby given. Any modification necessary as a result of public comment will be considered after March 1, 2012, the expiration date for receiving said comments.

The following notes will replace the language of the rescinded Local Rules:

57.II.02: Fair Trial Directives: Attorneys. [Deleted effective January 24, 2012. See Local Civil Rule 83.I.08, RDE IV.B (adopting South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct except as otherwise provided); South Carolina Rule of Professional Conduct 3.6 (“Trial Publicity”).]
83.III.02: Attorneys. [Deleted effective January 24, 2012. See Local Civil Rule 83.I.08, RDE IV.B (adopting South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct except as otherwise provided); South Carolina Rule of Professional Conduct 3.6 (“Trial Publicity”).]

DONE AND ORDERED by the Court this 24th day of January 2012.



Margaret B. Seymour, Chief Judge
United States District Court
District of South Carolina