

Illinois Supreme Court Rules Committee

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – July 22, 2015

In accordance with Supreme Court Rule 3 (Rulemaking Procedures), you are hereby notified that the Supreme Court Rules Committee will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday**, **July 22**, **2015**, beginning at **10 a.m.**, in Room C-500 at the Michael A. Bilandic Building, 160 N. LaSalle Street, in Chicago. Clerks of court are requested to post a hard copy of this notice in a conspicuous place.

The public hearing agenda includes the following items:

Proposal 14-07 (P.R. 0219) - Amends Rule 308 (Certified Questions), Rule 324 (Preparation and Certification by the Circuit Clerk of the Record on Appeal), and Rule 335 (Direct Review of Administrative Orders by the Appellate Court)

The Rules Committee seeks comments on a proposal to amend paragraph (b) of Rule 308 to extend the time for filing an application for leave to appeal to 30 days after the entry of the certified question in the trial court. The proposal also would amend Rule 324 to allow the clerk to accept in the record any pleading that carries an original file stamp of the Clerk of the Circuit Court. The proposal also would amend paragraph (a) of Rule 335 to provide that the petition for review be filed in the appellate court within 30 days from the date that a copy of the order or decision sought to be reviewed was served upon the party affected by any order or decision of the administrative agency.

Proposal 14-12 (P.R. 0224) - Amends Rule 341 (Briefs) and Rule 345 (Briefs Amicus Curiae)

The Rules Committee seeks comments on a proposal to amend paragraph (b) of Rule 341 to provide for word limitations rather than page limitations for briefs. The proposal also would amend paragraph (a) of Rule 345 to provide that briefs of amicus curiae submitted in support of petitions for leave to appeal under Rule 315 are not allowed.

Proposal 15-04 (P.R. 0229) - Amends the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct 1.0, 1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, 1.17, 1.18, 3.8, 4.4, 5.3, 5.5, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, and 8.5; and Amends Supreme Court Rule 705 (Admission on Motion), and Rule 716 (Limited Admission of House Counsel).

The Rules Committee seeks comments on a proposal to amend the aforementioned rules to address the American Bar Association's Ethics 20/20 amendments to the Model Rules of Professional Conduct, as well as The Illinois Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act.

The proposals are available on the Supreme Court website at: www.illinoiscourts.gov/SupremeCourt/Public_Hearings/Rules/. To obtain hard copies of the proposals by fax or U.S. mail, please contact Adam Brown at the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts at (312) 793-2305 or adambrown@illinoiscourts.gov.

The Supreme Court Rules Committee invites public comments on the proposals. Written comments should be submitted by **Wednesday**, **July 8**, **2015**, to <u>jzekich@illinoiscourts.gov</u> or mail to: Committee Secretary, Supreme Court Rules Committee, 222 N. LaSalle Street, 13th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

To be scheduled to testify at the public hearing, please send an e-mail or written request to the Rules Committee Secretary, as noted above, by no later than **Wednesday**, **July 15**, **2015**.