

United States Court of Appeals

District of Columbia Circuit
Washington, D.C. 20001-2866

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CIRCUIT RULE CHANGES AND OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Court, pursuant to D.C. Circuit Rule 47, proposes an amendment to Circuit Rule 32 to require that proportionally spaced typeface in briefs be 14-point or larger. A corresponding change to the Circuit's Handbook of Practice and Internal Procedures is also proposed.

FRAP 32(a)(5) requires that proportionally spaced typeface in briefs be 14-point or larger, but the rules allow local variation of the form requirements. Currently, Circuit Rule 32(a)(1) permits typeface as small as 11-point in briefs. The proposed amendment will strike that provision, so that the form of briefs will be governed by FRAP's typeface requirement. This revision is consistent with the Court's requirement of 14-point typeface for motions, see D.C. Cir. Rule 27(a)(2) (adopting the format requirements of FRAP 27(d)(1), which states that documents must comply with the typeface requirements of FRAP 32(a)(5)).

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT

Comments on the proposed amendment may be submitted to the Court's Advisory Committee on Procedures within 45 days from the date of the publication of this Notice in *The Daily Washington Law Reporter*. Written comments should be sent to:

Advisory Committee on Procedures
c/o Clerk of Court
United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

The Committee will consider any comments received from interested persons and organizations and formulate recommendations to the Court.

Copies of this Notice have been published this day by the means specified in D.C. Circuit Rule 47(c).

Date: September 30, 2008

/s/ Mark J. Langer
Mark J. Langer, Clerk

NOTE: The text of the proposed changes is available on the Court's web site at www.cadc.uscourts.gov under "Announcements."