## 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 amendments to Circuit Rules 5, 8, 17, 18, 21, 22, 25, 26.1, 27, 28, 42, 47.2, 47.3, 47.6, and the Appendix. The substantive amendments are intended to establish word limits for petitions for leave to file second or successive habeas petitions under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 and second or successive motions under 28 U.S.C. § 2255; to streamline the procedure for filing responses combined with motions for affirmative relief and other combined pleadings; to clarify the deadlines for filing the certified index to the record, dispositive motions, and responses to non-conforming motions and responses; to clarify the standards applicable to motions to extend time to file briefs; to add requirements for motions to voluntarily dismiss a criminal appeal; to clarify the procedures governing certain expedited proceedings; and to update the rules governing electronic filing and the Judicial Conference of the D.C. Circuit. Corresponding changes to the Circuit's Handbook of Practice and Internal Procedures will be made.

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT**

Comments on the proposed amendments 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*. The Committee will consider any comments received from interested persons and organizations and formulate recommendations to the court. 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., Room 5509 Washington, D.C. 20001

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

Date: December 13, 2023

Mark J. Langer, Clerk

NOTE: The text of the proposed Circuit Rule amendments is available on the court's web site at <u>www.cadc.uscourts.gov</u> under "Announcements" and "Rules & Procedures."