



NOTICE OF PROPOSED LOCAL RULE AMENDMENT AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The United States District Court for the District of Vermont announces a proposed amendment to Local Rule 9(a) governing cases filed under the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405.

The purpose of the proposed rule is to revise and refine the requirements of motion practice in social security cases, and to emphasize the importance of referencing the administrative record. The proposed rule orders compliance with the formatting requirements of Rule 10(a), combines existing subsections (C) and (D) into the new proposed subsection (C), and includes a requirement that the argument section of memoranda reference the pertinent facts, with specific citation to the administrative record.

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 2071(b), the court is posting the proposed amendment to Local Rule 9(a) for public comment. The proposed revision is available on the court's website at:

www.vtd.uscourts.gov

The open comment period is from July 18, 2011 to August 18, 2011. Comments on the proposed amendment may be submitted to one of the addresses listed below:

In letter form to:

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Any changes to this Local Rule adopted by the court will have an expected effective date of September 1, 2011.