

## **SUMMARY OF 2026 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL RULES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Below is a summary of the 2026 proposed amendments to the Local Rules for the District of Nebraska. These proposals were approved to be published for public comment by the Judicial Council of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska on September 18, 2026.

The enclosed proposed amendments were considered and recommended to the Judicial Council by the District of Nebraska Local Rules Committee. The Local Rules Committee consists of law clerks of District and Magistrate Judges in the District of Nebraska, with Chief District Judge Brian Buescher as judicial liaison. The proposed amendments were proposed to the Local Rules Committee by members of the bar and chambers staff.

1. NECivR 72.2(a) is amended to add “Statement of” before “Objections to Magistrate Judge’s Findings and Recommendations” to make it consistent with “Statement of Objections to Magistrate Judge’s Order.”

2. NECivR 7.1(a)(2)(C) is amended to correct a cross-reference (NECivR 7.1(2)(B)) to NECivR 7.1(a)(2)(B).

3. NECivR 7.1(d) is amended to add to (d) “Format of Briefs, . . .” and to add a new subsection (d)(1) “Format of Briefs: Paper Size, Line Spacing, and Margins,” consistent with the format required by the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals in Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 32(a)(4) with an addition stating that when briefs are in electronic form they must be formatted for printing on 8-1/2 by 11-inch paper