



DISTRICT OF MONTANA QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



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U.S. District Court Judge Sam E. Haddon Assumes Senior Status



United States District Judge Sam E. Haddon assumed senior status on January 1, 2013, after eleven years of active service. Judge Haddon has relocated his chambers to the Paul G. Hatfield Federal Courthouse in Helena, Montana, and continues to maintain a full docket of cases in the Great Falls, Helena, and Butte Divisions of the District of Montana.

Reappointment of U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Ralph B. Kirscher

Please see the Invitation for Public Comment on the Reappointment of U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Ralph B. Kirscher:

<http://www.mtd.uscourts.gov/pdf/announcements/publicnotice-kirscher.pdf>

Revised Local Rules of Procedure

Be on the lookout for revisions to the Local Rules of Procedure for the District of Montana effective January 31, 2013. The more significant changes include the removal of redundant material from and reorganization of L.R. 16; clarification of taxable costs in L.R. 54; and altering the terminology in summary judgment briefing in L.R. 56.1. As to the latter revision, parties opposing a motion for summary judgment will now file a Statement of Disputed Facts, instead of a Statement of Genuine Issues.

These are just a sample of the many changes. Please review the new rules at <http://www.mtd.uscourts.gov/pdf/Local%20Rules%202013.pdf>

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www.mtd.uscourts.gov

Questions about filing
electronically?

CM/ECF Electronic
Learning Modules (ELMs)
are available at:

[http://
www.mtd.uscourts.gov/
efiling.html#training](http://www.mtd.uscourts.gov/efiling.html#training)

eVoucher - CJA Electronic Voucher System

The District of Montana will soon join other Ninth Circuit districts in implementing eVoucher, the online web based electronic vouchering system developed by the District of Nevada. Panel members will be able to take advantage of eVoucher features including managing their CJA billing, submitting expert funding requests, checking funding balances, submitting supporting documentation electronically and tracking progress of voucher(s) online.

Use of eVoucher to submit vouchers will be mandatory for all CJA appointments ordered after March 1, 2013. Panel members will have to option of using eVoucher to process existing appointment, and are encouraged to do so to become familiar with the system. There is no additional software that is required to utilize eVoucher.

A link to the eVoucher electronic learning modules are now available on the court's website at www.mtd.uscourts.gov, CJA Information & Forms.

Civil Cover Sheet

The Civil Cover Sheet has recently been changed to clarify the existing Prisoner Petition and Immigration Sections. The updated Civil Cover Sheet is available at:

<http://www.uscourts.gov/uscourts/FormsAndFees/Forms/JS044.pdf>