

**Rule 2091-1. Attorneys - Withdrawals and Substitutions.** Except as otherwise provided in this local rule or by order of the court, no appearance by an attorney may be withdrawn in any case or proceeding except by leave of court, after notice served on the client and parties in interest entitled to notice. An attorney for a party in interest other than the debtor who is not a party to any pending contested matter or adversary proceeding may withdraw his or her appearance without court order by filing a notice of withdrawal as attorney, stating the name and mailing address of the client, and serving copies of the notice on the client, the debtor, the trustee, the United States Trustee, and their attorneys. An attorney seeking to withdraw from representing a client in a case or proceeding at a time when such client is represented by other counsel of record in such matter may withdraw his or her appearance by filing a notice of withdrawal that is approved and signed by the client and other counsel of record for the client, and serving copies of the notice on parties in interest entitled to notice. Counsel seeking to withdraw from representation of a client may file a joint motion with counsel seeking to be substituted as counsel for such client, in the relevant case or proceedings, requesting authority of the court for substitution of counsel. Such motion shall certify that the client has consented to the substitution or be signed by the client, and such motion shall be served on the client and parties in interest entitled to notice. Except as provided in Local Rule 2014-1(A), the court may grant a joint motion for substitution of counsel without a hearing. The provisions of this local rule shall be subject to the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and this court's Local Rules with regard to retention of professionals, disclosure, payment of professionals and related matters.

*[Comment: See also Local Rules 2002-1(G) (attorney change of address) and 2002-1(H) ("Master Service List" in chapter 11 cases) and 2014 -1 (A) Employment of Professionals.]*

☞ 2011 Amendment: This rule is amended to clarify requirements for withdrawals, and permits ex parte motions for substitutions of counsel.
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