

STATE OF INDIANA)
)
COUNTY OF HENDRICKS)

Notice of Proposed Local Rules

Pursuant to Indiana Rule of Trial Procedure 81(B), the Circuit and Superior Courts of Hendricks County (“Courts”) give notice to the bar and the public of the content of their proposed local rules:

		Proposed Effective Date
LR32-AR1 Rule 1	Plan for Allocation of Judicial Resources	1/1/27

1. All new text is shown by underlining and deleted text is shown by ~~striketrough~~.
2. Comments should be sent to:

Catherine Haines
Court Administrator
chaines@co.hendricks.in.us
3. Comments by the bar and public will be received until October 16, 2026;
4. Proposals will be adopted, modified, or rejected by the Courts by October 21, 2026;
5. The effective date of the proposed local rules is listed above, subject to approval by the Indiana Supreme Court;
6. The text of the proposed local rules has been provided to the county clerk and to the Indiana Supreme Court Office of Judicial Administration (OJA) in digital format; and
7. The Courts shall also give notice to the officers of the Hendricks County Bar Association.

WHEREFORE, the Courts respectfully request that the county clerk post this notice and the attached, proposed amendments to the local rules in the county clerk's office and on the county clerk's website, if any. The Courts further request that the OJA post this proposal on its website for public inspection and comment.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Daniel Zielinski

Daniel F. Zielinski, Judge
Hendricks Circuit Court

s/Kathryn Kuehn

Kathryn M. Kuehn, Judge
Hendricks Superior Court No. 1

s/Rhett Stuard

Rhett M. Stuard, Judge
Hendricks Superior Court No. 2

s/Travis Crane

Travis L. Crane, Judge
Hendricks Superior Court No. 3

s/Mark A. Smith

Mark A. Smith, Judge
Hendricks Superior Court No. 4

s/Stephenie LeMay-Luken

Stephenie D. LeMay-Luken, Judge
Hendricks Superior Court No. 5

Date: September 11, 2026

* * *

D. Domestic Relations

1. Except as set forth below, Domestic Relations With Children (DCs) shall be filed in Hendricks Circuit Court, Hendricks Superior Court No. 1, Hendricks Superior Court No. 2, ~~Hendricks Superior Court No. 3,~~ and Hendricks Superior Court No. 4, subject to the case type limits set forth in Appendix A.
2. Except as set forth below, Domestic Relations No Children (DNs) shall be filed in Hendricks Circuit Court, Hendricks Superior Court No. 1, Hendricks Superior Court No. 2, and Hendricks Superior Court No. 4, subject to the case type limits set forth in Appendix A.
3. ~~DCs involving children who are the subject of a pending JC or JT shall be filed in Hendricks Superior Court No. 3 regardless of that court's case type limit.~~
43. ~~When all courts have reached their limit for DCs, a party may choose to file a DC in Hendricks Circuit Court, Hendricks Superior Court No. 1, Hendricks Superior Court No. 2, Hendricks Superior Court No. 3, or Hendricks Superior Court No. 4 DCs shall be filed in Hendricks Circuit Court, Hendricks Superior Court No. 1, Hendricks Superior Court No. 2, and Hendricks Superior Court No. 4 on an even and random basis.~~
54. ~~When all courts have reached their limit for DN, a party may choose to file a DN in Hendricks Circuit Court, Hendricks Superior Court No. 1, Hendricks Superior Court No. 2, or Hendricks Superior Court No. 4 DNs shall be filed in Hendricks Circuit Court, Hendricks Superior Court No. 1, Hendricks Superior Court No. 2, and Hendricks Superior Court No. 4 on an even and random basis.~~