In the Indiana Supreme Court



In the Matter of the Approval of Local Rule for Newton County

Supreme Court Case No. 22S-MS-257

Order Approving Amended Local Rule

The Judges of the Newton Circuit and Superior Courts request the approval of amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Indiana Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Newton Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment at LR-56-15 complies with the requirements of Indiana Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that amended Local Rule, LR-56-15, for Newton Circuit and Superior Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective August 1, 2022.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on $\frac{7/28/2022}{}$.

Loretta H. Rush

Chief Justice of Indiana

LR-56-15 Caseload Allocation Plan

(A) Criminal Caseload Allocation Plan

All Adult Criminal and Juvenile Delinquency cases shall be filed pursuant to LR-56-8.

(B) Civil Caseload Allocation Plan

- (1) All cases designated by statute to be filed in a particular Court shall be filed in the Court so designated by statute.
- (2) All Traffic cases shall be filed in Superior Court.
- (3) Any Ordinance Violation cases may be filed in Circuit or Superior Court.
- (4) All Juvenile cases shall be filed in Circuit Court.
- (5) All Civil Collection cases shall be filed in Circuit Court.
- (6) All Protective Order cases shall be filed in Circuit Court.
- (7) All Small Claims cases shall be filed in Circuit Court.
- (8) All Adoption, Reciprocal Support, and Domestic Relations cases shall be filed in Circuit Court.
- (9) All Eviction cases shall be filed in Circuit Court.
- (10) All other Civil cases may be filed as has been traditional, in either Circuit or Superior Court.

(C) Review of Caseload allocation Plans

The Judges of Circuit and Superior Courts shall review the new case filings each quarter to determine if any disparity in Court caseloads exist and if any adjustments need to be made to the above Allocation Plans.