

STATE OF INDIANA – COUNTY OF STARKE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

**Notice of Proposed Local Court Rule Amendment
June 23, 2016**

In accordance with Trial Rule 81 of the Indiana Court Rules, the Starke Circuit Court hereby gives notice to the bar and the public that the Court proposes to amend the current local rule concerning special judge appointment in civil cases at **LR75-TR79-7, effective August 1, 2016**. All new text is shown by underlining and deleted text is shown by ~~strike through~~. Supreme Court approval is required for this amendment and may not take effect until approved by the Supreme Court.

The time period for the bar and the public to comment begins on **June 23, 2016**, and closes on **July 24, 2016**.

Comments by the bar and the public should be made in writing and mailed, or emailed, to:

The Honorable Kim Hall, Judge, Starke Circuit Court, P.O. Box 395, Knox, Indiana 46534, or by email to: judgekimhall@co.starke.in.us.

A paper copy of the proposed amended local rules will be made available for viewing in the office of the Clerk of Starke County, 53 East Washington Street, Knox, Indiana 46534 during normal business hours.

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Honorable Kim Hall, Judge
Starke Circuit Court

LR75-TR79-7
SPECIAL JUDGES

1.1 In all civil cases, when the appointment of a special judge is required under Trial Rule 76, or upon disqualification or recusal of the Judge of the Starke Circuit Court under Trial Rule 79 (C), and the parties cannot agree to an eligible special judge under Trial Rule 79 (D), the clerk of the court shall select a special judge from the following list, on a rotating basis:

The Magistrate of the Starke Circuit Court

The Judge of the Pulaski Circuit Court

The Judge of the Pulaski Superior Court

~~shall comply with Trial Rule 79.~~

~~1.2 The Magistrate of the Starke Circuit Court may be an “eligible special judge” provided for in Trial Rule 79(D) and (E).~~

~~1.3 In the event that a special judge is required due to a change of judge under Trial Rule 76, and a special judge is not selected under Trial Rule 79(D) or (E), then a panel shall be named pursuant to Trial Rule 79(F). The panel that is named shall be the next panel of judges on the following list:~~

~~— Panel 1: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Circuit Court~~

~~— Panel 2: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #1~~

~~— Panel 3: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #2~~

~~— Panel 4: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #3~~

~~— Panel 5: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #4~~

~~1.4 In the event a special judge is required due to the disqualification or recusal of a judge under Trial Rule 79 (C) and a special judge is not selected as provided in Trial Rules (D) or (E), then a special judge shall be selected pursuant to Trial Rule 79 (H).~~

~~1.5 In the event that Trial Rule 79(H) is applicable, the clerk of the court shall appoint a special judge from the following list of presiding judges in the respective courts, on a rotating basis:~~

~~— Pulaski Circuit Court~~

~~— Pulaski Superior Court~~

~~1.6 If a special judge cannot be selected using the procedure set out above, then the judge in the case shall certify the same to the Indiana Supreme Court for appointment of a special judge.~~

(Effective ~~July 1, 2011~~ August 1, 2016)