

1 **Rule 58A. Entry of judgment; abstract of judgment.**

2 (a) Judgment upon the verdict of a jury. Unless the court otherwise directs and
3 subject to ~~the provisions of~~ Rule 54(b), the clerk shall promptly sign and file the
4 judgment upon the verdict of a jury ~~shall be forthwith signed by the clerk and filed~~. If
5 there is a special verdict or a general verdict accompanied by answers to interrogatories
6 returned by a jury ~~pursuant to Rule 49~~, the court shall direct the appropriate judgment,
7 which ~~shall be forthwith signed by the clerk and filed~~ the clerk shall promptly sign and
8 file.

9 (b) Judgment in other cases. Except as provided in Subdivision (a) ~~hereof~~ and
10 ~~Subdivision (b)(1) of~~ Rule 55(b)(1), all judgments shall be signed by the judge and filed
11 with the clerk.

12 (c) When judgment entered; ~~notation in register of actions and judgment docket~~
13 recording. A judgment is complete and shall be deemed entered for all purposes, except
14 the creation of a lien on real property, when ~~the same it~~ is signed and filed as ~~herein~~
15 ~~above~~ provided in Subdivisions (a) or (b). The clerk shall immediately ~~make a notation~~
16 of record the judgment in the register of actions and the register of judgments ~~docket~~.

17 (d) Notice ~~of signing or entry~~ of judgment. A copy of the signed judgment shall be
18 promptly served by the party preparing it in the manner provided in Rule 5. The time for
19 filing a notice of appeal is not affected by ~~the this~~ requirement ~~of this provision~~.

20 (e) Judgment after death of a party. If a party dies after a verdict or decision upon
21 any issue of fact and before judgment, judgment may nevertheless be ~~rendered thereon~~
22 entered.

23 (f) Judgment by confession. ~~Whenever If~~ a judgment by confession is authorized by
24 statute, the party seeking the ~~same judgment~~ must file with the clerk ~~of the court in~~
25 ~~which the judgment is to be entered~~ a statement, verified by the defendant, to the
26 following effect:

27 (f)(1) If the judgment ~~to be confessed~~ is for money due or to become due, it shall
28 concisely state the claim and that the specified sum ~~confessed therefor~~ is justly due or
29 to become due;.

30 (f)(2) If the judgment ~~to be confessed~~ is for the purpose of securing the plaintiff
31 against a contingent liability, it must state concisely the claim and that the specified sum
32 ~~confessed therefor~~ does not exceed the ~~same liability~~.

33 (f)(3) It must authorize the entry of judgment for ~~a~~ the specified sum.

34 The clerk shall ~~thereupon endorse upon the statement, and enter in the judgment~~
35 ~~docket, a judgment of the court for the amount confessed~~ sign and file the judgment for
36 the specified sum, with costs of entry, if any, and record it in the register of actions and
37 the register of judgments.

38 (g) Abstract of judgment. The clerk may abstract a judgment by a writing signed
39 under oath or affirmation that:

40 (g)(1) identifies the court, the case name, the case number, the judge or clerk that
41 signed the judgment, the date the judgment was signed, and the date the judgment was
42 recorded in the registry of actions and the registry of judgments;

43 (g)(2) states whether the time for appeal has passed and whether an appeal has
44 been filed;

45 (g)(3) states whether the judgment has been stayed and when the stay will expire;
46 and

47 (g)(4) if the language of the judgment is known to the clerk, quotes verbatim the
48 operative language of the judgment or attaches a copy of the judgment.

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