

Agenda

Supreme Court Advisory Committee Utah Rules of Civil Procedure

January 26, 2022

4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

[Via Webex](#)

Welcome and approval of minutes	Tab 1	Lauren DiFrancesco
Rule 42(a) - Case Numbers	Tab 2	Judge Holmberg
Standard Protective Orders for State Court	Tab 3	Judge Oliver
Rule 43(c) - Remote Hearing Oath	Tab 4	Loni Page
Rule 26.1 - Service in Domestic Cases	Tab 5	Jim Hunnicutt, Brent and Nicole Salazar-Hall
Records Classification	Tab 6	Judge Stone
Rule 7 - Page Limits to Word Limits	Tab 7	Trevor Lee
Rule 45 - adding LPPs and Foreign Subpoenas	Tab 8	Tonya Wright and Tim Pack
Rule 26 - Disclosure of third party financing		Judge Stone
Rule 30(b)(6) - following change to federal rule in December, need Subcommittee to discuss.		Judge Holmberg
<i>Consent agenda</i> - <i>None</i>		
Verify Pipeline items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rule 26(a)(1)(A)(ii) (Tim Pack)• Rules 7B(i), 109 and 7A(h) (Judge Stone and Judge Mettler)• Legal Terminology (Susan Vogel)• Court Notices (Susan Vogel and Loni Page)		Lauren DiFrancesco

Next Meeting: February 23

Future Meetings: March 23, April 27, May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 23, December 28

Meeting Schedule: 4th Wednesday at 4pm unless otherwise scheduled

Committee Webpage: <http://www.utcourts.gov/committees/civproc/>

Tab 1

**UTAH SUPREME COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ON RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE**

Summary Minutes – November 17, 2021

**DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA WEBEX**

Committee members	Present	Excused	Guests/Staff Present
Robert Adler	X		Stacy Haacke, Staff
Rod N. Andreason	X		Crystal Powell, Recording Secretary
Judge James T. Blanch	X		
Lauren DiFrancesco, Chair	X		
Judge Kent Holmberg		X	
James Hunnicutt		X	
Judge Linda Jones		X	
Trevor Lee		X	
Ash McMurray	X		
Judge Amber M. Mettler		X	
Kim Neville		X	
Timothy Pack	X		
Loni Page			
Bryan Pattison	X		
James Peterson		X	
Judge Laura Scott		X	
Leslie W. Slaugh	X		
Paul Stancil		X	
Judge Clay Stucki		X	
Judge Andrew H. Stone		X	
Justin T. Toth	X		
Susan Vogel	X		
Tonya Wright	X		

(1) MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting started at 4:12 p.m. after forming a quorum. Ms. Di Francesco welcomed the Committee and new committee member Ms. Tonya Wright.

(2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Lauren DiFrancesco asked for approval of the minutes subject to minor amendments noted by the minutes subcommittee. Mr. Leslie Slaugh moved to adopt the minutes as amended; Justin Toth seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

(3) SUPREME COURT MEETING UPDATE

Ms. DiFrancesco reported on her meeting with the supreme court. Mr. Tim Pack, Judge Clay Stucki, Ms. Susan Vogel, Mr. Leslie Slaugh were reappointed to the Committee. Ms. Di Francesco announced the appointment of Ms. Tonya Wright, a licensed legal practitioner. Ms. Wright introduced herself and shared a little of her background.

The supreme court welcomes the new subcommittee project chaired by Judge Stone on the classification of records and other rules that could be moved from Rules of Judicial Administration to the Rules of Civil Procedure. Ms. DiFrancesco passed on more specific feedback directly to the subcommittee.

(4) RULE 5 AND SELF- HELP FORMS

Ms. Stacy Haacke reported on Rule 5 and noted that the Self- Help Center has concerns about the timing of the rule being implemented and the effect that could have on the work that is already underway to revise the forms pursuant to amendments in Rule 10. They suggested an effective date of May 2022 to avoid the forms quickly becoming non-compliant between the Rule 10 updates and the prospective Rule 5 updates. Ms. Haacke noted that Rule is still out for public comment. Ms. Di Francesco noted that rules go into effect either November 1 or May 1 and asked if anyone disagreed with the Rule being on the May 1 track. The committee agreed.

(5) LEGAL COMMUNITY REQUESTS—RULE 4

Ms. Stacy Haacke, reported on a request from an attorney to make amendments to Rule 4 regarding a discrepancy between the language of the summons and default judgment language. Mr. Slaugh noted the federal rule has the same language and that the issue is not the rule but rather the form not being clear enough to comply with the rule. Ms. Vogel noted that self-represented parties do get upset when an automatic default is not entered when an answer is late; and noted that she likes the language of the rule that would say that the other party “may” request a default. Mr. Rob Alder

noted that there is an inconsistency where one makes it mandatory and the other makes it discretionary and agreed Ms. Vogel on that point. Mr. Alder motioned to amend the rule to change “will” to “may” in Rule 4 (c)(1)(E). Ms. Vogel seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

(6) UPCOMING COMMITTEE ISSUES

Ms. DiFrancesco addressed the upcoming pipeline issues. Ms. Vogel gave a brief report on the discussion from the Clerks of Court meeting regarding the notices of remote hearings and the agreement from the Clerks to provide specific contact information where individuals may get immediate help to connect to the WebEx link. Ms. Vogel agreed that she would do a worksheet for IT Department to help to mitigate the issues. The classifications subcommittee will report in January.

Ms. DiFrancesco noted that if any committee member gets a request for changes from a community member, the most helpful procedure would be for them to send to either her or Ms. Haacke, a redline version of proposed changes along with a short paragraph on the reason for the changes and whether they would like to come and present on the proposed change.

(7) ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be on December 22, 2021. The chair thanked everyone for their time and effort and wished all a happy Thanksgiving. The meeting adjourned at 4: 32 p.m.

Tab 2

1 **Rule 42. Consolidation; separate trials; venue transfer.**

2 **(a) Consolidation.** When actions involving a common question of law or fact or arising
3 from the same transaction or occurrence are pending before the court in one or more
4 judicial districts, the court may, on motion of any party or on the court's own initiative:
5 order that the actions are consolidated in whole or in part for any purpose, including
6 for discovery, other pretrial matters, or a joint hearing or trial; stay any or all of the
7 proceedings in any action subject to the order; transfer any or all further proceedings in
8 the actions to a location in which any of the actions is pending after consulting with the
9 presiding judge of the transferee court; and make other such orders concerning
10 proceedings therein as may tend to avoid unnecessary costs or delay.

11 (1) In determining whether to order consolidation and the appropriate location for
12 the consolidated proceedings, the court may consider, among other factors: the
13 complexity of the actions; the importance of any common question of fact or law to
14 the determination of the actions; the risk of duplicative or inconsistent rulings,
15 orders, or judgments; the relative procedural postures of the actions; the risk that
16 consolidation may unreasonably delay the progress, increase the expense, or
17 complicate the processing of any action; prejudice to any party that far outweighs
18 the overall benefits of consolidation; the convenience of the parties, witnesses, and
19 counsel; and the efficient utilization of judicial resources and the facilities and
20 personnel of the court.

21 (2) A motion to consolidate may be filed or opposed by any party. The motion must
22 be filed in and heard by the judge assigned to the first action filed and must be
23 served on all parties in each action pursuant to [Rule 5](#). A notice of the motion must
24 be filed in each action. The movant must, and any party may, file in each action
25 notice of the order denying or granting the motion.

26 (3) If the court orders consolidation, a ~~new~~-[single](#) case number will be used for all
27 subsequent filings in the consolidated case. The court may direct that specified
28 parties pay the expenses, if any, of consolidation. The presiding judge of the
29 transferee court may assign the consolidated case to another judge for good cause.

30 **(b) Separate trials.** The court in furtherance of convenience or to avoid prejudice may
31 order a separate trial of any claim, cross claim, counterclaim, or third party claim, or of
32 any separate issue or of any number of claims, cross claims, counterclaims, third party
33 claims, or issues.

34 **(c) Venue Transfer.**

35 (1) On timely motion of any party, where transfer to a proper venue is available, the
36 court must transfer any action filed in an improper venue.

37 (2) The court must give substantial deference to a plaintiff's choice of a proper
38 venue. On timely motion of any party, a court may: transfer venue of any action,
39 in whole or in part, to any other venue for any purpose, including for discovery,
40 other pretrial matters, or a joint hearing or trial; stay any or all of the proceedings in
41 the action; and make other such orders concerning proceedings therein to pursue the
42 interests of justice and avoid unnecessary costs or delay. In determining whether to
43 transfer venue and the appropriate venue for the transferred proceedings, the court
44 may consider, among other factors, whether transfer will: increase the likelihood of a
45 fair and impartial determination in the action; minimize expense or inconvenience to
46 parties, witnesses, or the court; decrease delay; avoid hardship or injustice otherwise
47 caused by venue requirements; and advance the interests of justice.

48 (3) The court may direct that specified parties pay the expenses, if any, of transfer.

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50 **Advisory Committee Notes**

51 *Note adopted 2020*

52 The addition of paragraph (c) arose in part from the Supreme Court's decision in *Davis*
53 *County v. Purdue Pharma, L.P*, 2020 UT 17.

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55 Effective January 1, 2020.

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Tab 3

DUCivR 26-2 STANDARD PROTECTIVE ORDER AND STAY OF DEPOSITIONS

(a) Standard Protective Order. The court has increasingly observed that discovery in civil litigation is being unnecessarily delayed by the parties arguing and/or litigating over the form of a protective order. In order to prevent such delay and “to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action,” the court finds that good cause exists to provide a rule to address this issue and hereby adopted this rule entering a Standard Protective Order.

(1) This rule applies in every case involving the disclosure of any information designated as confidential. Except as otherwise ordered, it is not be a legitimate ground for objecting to or refusing to produce information or documents in response to an opposing party’s discovery request (e.g., interrogatory, document request, request for admissions, deposition question) or declining to provide information otherwise required to be disclosed pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 (a)(1) that the discovery request or disclosure requirement is premature because a protective order has not been entered by the court. Unless the court enters a different protective order, pursuant to motion or stipulated motion, the Standard Protective Order available on the Forms page of the court’s website <http://www.utd.uscourts.gov> governs and discovery under the Standard Protective Order must proceed. The Standard Protective Order is effective by virtue of this rule and need not be entered in the docket of the specific case.

(2) Any party or person who believes that substantive rights are being impacted by application of the rule may immediately seek relief.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH

_____ ,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

_____ ,

Defendants.

STANDARD PROTECTIVE ORDER

Civil No.

Honorable

Magistrate

Pursuant to Rule 26(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and for good cause,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Scope of Protection

This Standard Protective Order shall govern any record of information produced in this action and designated pursuant to this Standard Protective Order, including all designated deposition testimony, all designated testimony taken at a hearing or other proceeding, all designated deposition exhibits, interrogatory answers, admissions, documents and other discovery materials, whether produced informally or in response to interrogatories, requests for admissions, requests for production of documents or other formal methods of discovery.

This Standard Protective Order shall also govern any designated record of information produced in this action pursuant to required disclosures under any federal procedural rule or local rule of the Court and any supplementary disclosures thereto.

This Standard Protective Order shall apply to the parties and to any nonparty from whom discovery may be sought who desires the protection of this Protective Order.

Nonparties may challenge the confidentiality of the protected information by filing a motion to intervene and a motion to de-designate.

2. Definitions

(a) The term PROTECTED INFORMATION shall mean confidential or proprietary technical, scientific, financial, business, health, or medical information designated as such by the producing party.

(b) The term CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, shall mean PROTECTED INFORMATION that is so designated by the producing party. The designation CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY may be used only for the following types of past, current, or future PROTECTED INFORMATION: (1) sensitive technical information, including current research, development and manufacturing information and patent prosecution information, (2) sensitive business information, including highly sensitive financial or marketing information and the identity of suppliers, distributors and potential or actual customers, (3) competitive technical information, including technical analyses or comparisons of competitor's products, (4) competitive business information, including non-public financial or marketing analyses or comparisons of competitor's products and strategic product planning, or (5) any other PROTECTED INFORMATION the disclosure of which to non-qualified people subject to this Standard Protective Order the producing party reasonably and in good faith believes would likely cause harm.

(c) The term CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION shall mean all PROTECTED INFORMATION that is not designated as "CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY" information.

(d) For entities covered by the Health Insurance Portability and

Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”), the term CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION shall include Confidential Health Information. Confidential Health Information shall mean information supplied in any form, or any portion thereof, that identifies an individual or subscriber in any manner and relates to the past, present, or future care, services, or supplies relating to the physical or mental health or condition of such individual or subscriber, the provision of health care to such individual or subscriber, or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to such individual or subscriber. Confidential Health Information includes claim data, claim forms, grievances, appeals, or other documents or records that contain any patient health information required to be kept confidential under any state or federal law, including 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164 promulgated pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (*see* 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.501 & 160.103), and the following subscriber, patient, or member identifiers:

- (1) names;
- (2) all geographic subdivisions smaller than a State, including street address, city, county, precinct, and zip code;
- (3) all elements of dates (except year) for dates directly related to an individual, including birth date, admission date, discharge date, age, and date of death;
- (4) telephone numbers;
- (5) fax numbers;
- (6) electronic mail addresses;
- (7) social security numbers;
- (8) medical record numbers;

- (9) health plan beneficiary numbers;
- (10) account numbers;
- (11) certificate/license numbers;
- (12) vehicle identifiers and serial numbers, including license plate numbers;
- (13) device identifiers and serial numbers;
- (14) web universal resource locators (“URLs”);
- (15) internet protocol (“IP”) address numbers;
- (16) biometric identifiers, including finger and voice prints;
- (17) full face photographic images and any comparable images; and/or any other unique identifying number, characteristic, or code.

(e) The term TECHNICAL ADVISOR shall refer to any person who is not a party to this action and/or not presently employed by the receiving party or a company affiliated through common ownership, who has been designated by the receiving party to receive another party’s PROTECTED INFORMATION, including CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, and CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. Each party’s TECHNICAL ADVISORS shall be limited to such person as, in the judgment of that party’s counsel, are reasonably necessary for development and presentation of that party’s case. These persons include outside experts or consultants retained to provide technical or other expert services such as expert testimony or otherwise assist in trial preparation.

3. Disclosure Agreements

(a) Each receiving party's TECHNICAL ADVISOR shall sign a disclosure agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A ("Disclosure Agreement"). Copies of the Disclosure Agreement signed by any person or entity to whom PROTECTED INFORMATION is disclosed shall be provided to the other party promptly after execution by facsimile and overnight mail. No disclosures shall be made to a TECHNICAL ADVISOR until seven (7) days after the executed Disclosure Agreement is served on the other party.

(b) Before any PROTECTED INFORMATION is disclosed to outside TECHNICAL ADVISORS, the following information must be provided in writing to the producing party and received no less than seven (7) days before the intended date of disclosure to that outside TECHNICAL ADVISOR: the identity of that outside TECHNICAL ADVISOR, business address and/or affiliation and a current curriculum vitae of the TECHNICAL ADVISOR, and, if not contained in the TECHNICAL ADVISOR's curriculum vitae, a brief description, including education, present and past employment and general areas of expertise of the TECHNICAL ADVISOR. If the producing party objects to disclosure of PROTECTED INFORMATION to an outside TECHNICAL ADVISOR, the producing party shall within seven (7) days of receipt serve written objections identifying the specific basis for the objection, and particularly identifying all information to which disclosure is objected. Failure to object within seven (7) days shall authorize the disclosure of PROTECTED INFORMATION to the TECHNICAL ADVISOR. As to any objections, the parties shall attempt in good faith to promptly resolve any objections informally. If the objections cannot be resolved, the party seeking to prevent disclosure of the PROTECTED INFORMATION to the expert shall

move within seven (7) days for an Order of the Court preventing the disclosure. The burden of proving that the designation is proper shall be upon the producing party. If no such motion is made within seven (7) days, disclosure to the TECHNICAL ADVISOR shall be permitted. In the event that objections are made and not resolved informally and a motion is filed, disclosure of PROTECTED INFORMATION to the TECHNICAL ADVISOR shall not be made except by Order of the Court.

(c) Any disclosure agreement executed by any person affiliated with a party shall be provided to any other party who, based upon a good faith belief that there has been a violation of this order, requests a copy.

(d) No party shall attempt to depose any TECHNICAL ADVISOR until such time as the TECHNICAL ADVISOR is designated by the party engaging the TECHNICAL ADVISOR as a testifying expert. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any party may depose a TECHNICAL ADVISOR as a fact witness provided that the party seeking such deposition has a good faith, demonstrable basis independent of the Disclosure Agreement or the information provided under subparagraph (a) above that such person possesses facts relevant to this action, or facts likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence; however, such deposition, if it precedes the designation of such person by the engaging party as a testifying expert, shall not include any questions regarding the scope or subject matter of the engagement. In addition, if the engaging party chooses not to designate the TECHNICAL ADVISOR as a testifying expert, the non-engaging party shall be barred from seeking discovery or trial testimony as to the scope or subject matter of the engagement.

4. Designation of Information

(a) Documents and things produced or furnished during the course of this action shall be designated as containing CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, by placing on each page, each document (whether in paper or electronic form), or each thing a legend substantially as follows:

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(b) Documents and things produced or furnished during the course of this action shall be designated as containing information which is CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY by placing on each page, each document (whether in paper or electronic form), or each thing a legend substantially as follows:

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY

(c) During discovery, a producing party shall have the option to require that all or batches of materials be treated as containing CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY during inspection and to make its designation as to particular documents and things at the time copies of documents and things are furnished.

(d) A party may designate information disclosed at a deposition as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY by requesting the reporter to so designate the transcript at the time of the deposition.

(e) A producing party shall designate its discovery responses, responses to requests for admission, briefs, memoranda, and all other papers sent to the court or to opposing counsel as containing CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY when such papers are served or sent.

(f) A party shall designate information disclosed at a hearing or trial as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY by requesting the court, at the time the information is proffered or adduced, to receive the information only in the presence of those persons designated to receive such information and court personnel, and to designate the transcript appropriately.

(g) The parties will use reasonable care to avoid designating any documents or information as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY that is not entitled to such designation or which is generally available to the public. The parties shall designate only that part of a document or deposition that is CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, rather than the entire document or deposition. For example, if a party claims that a document contains pricing information that is CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, the party will designate only that part of the document setting forth the specific pricing information as ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, rather than the entire document.

(h) In multi-party cases, Plaintiffs and/or Defendants shall further be able to designate documents as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO OTHER PLAINTIFFS or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO OTHER DEFENDANTS for documents that shall not be disclosed to other parties.

5. Disclosure and Use of Confidential Information

Information that has been designated CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY shall be disclosed by

the receiving party only to Qualified Recipients. All Qualified Recipients shall hold such information received from the disclosing party in confidence, shall use the information only for purposes of this action and for no other action, and shall not use it for any business or other commercial purpose, and shall not use it for filing or prosecuting any patent application (of any type) or patent reissue or reexamination request, and shall not disclose it to any person, except as hereinafter provided. All information that has been designated CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY shall be carefully maintained so as to preclude access by persons who are not qualified to receive such information under the terms of this Order.

In multi-party cases, documents designated as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO OTHER PLAINTIFFS or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO OTHER DEFENDANTS shall not be disclosed to other plaintiffs and/or defendants.

6. Qualified Recipients

For purposes of this Order, "Qualified Recipient" means

- (a) For CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY:

(1) Outside counsel of record for the parties in this action, and the partners, associates, secretaries, paralegal assistants, and employees of such counsel to the extent reasonably necessary to render professional services in the action, outside copying services, document management services and graphic services;

(2) Court officials involved in this action (including court reporters, persons operating video recording equipment at depositions, and any special master appointed by the Court);

(3) Any person designated by the Court in the interest of justice, upon such terms as the Court may deem proper;

(4) Any outside TECHNICAL ADVISOR employed by the outside counsel of record, subject to the requirements in Paragraph 3 above;

(5) Any witness during the course of discovery, so long as it is stated on the face of each document designated CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY being disclosed that the witness to whom a party is seeking to disclose the document was either an author, recipient, or otherwise involved in the creation of the document. Where it is not stated on the face of the confidential document being disclosed that the witness to whom a party is seeking to disclose the document was either an author, recipient, or otherwise involved in the creation of the document, the party seeking disclosure may nonetheless disclose the confidential document to the witness, provided that: (i) the party seeking disclosure has a reasonable basis for believing that the witness in fact received or reviewed the document, (ii) the party seeking disclosure provides advance notice to the party that produced the document, and (iii) the party that produced the document does not inform the party seeking disclosure that the person to whom the party intends to disclose the document did not in fact receive or review the documents. Nothing herein shall prevent disclosure at a deposition of a document designated CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY to the officers, directors, and managerial level employees of the party producing such CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, or to any employee of such party who has access to such CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY in the ordinary course of such employee's employment; and

(6) Any designated arbitrator or mediator who is assigned to hear this matter, or who has been selected by the parties, and his or her staff, provided that such individuals agree in writing, pursuant to the Disclosure Agreement, to be bound by the terms of this Order.

(b) FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:

(1) Those persons listed in paragraph 6(a);

(2) In-house counsel for a party to this action who are acting in a legal capacity and who are actively engaged in the conduct of this action, and the secretary and paralegal assistants of such counsel to the extent reasonably necessary;

(3) The insurer of a party to litigation and employees of such insurer to the extent reasonably necessary to assist the party's counsel to afford the insurer an opportunity to investigate and evaluate the claim for purposes of determining coverage and for settlement purposes; and

(4) Representatives, officers, or employees of a party as necessary to assist outside counsel with this litigation.

7. Use of Protected Information

(a) In the event that any receiving party's briefs, memoranda, discovery requests, requests for admission, or other papers of any kind that are served or filed include another party's CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, the papers must be appropriately designated pursuant to paragraphs 4(a) and (b) and governed by DUCivR 5-3.

(b) All documents, including attorney notes and abstracts, that contain another party's CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL

INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, shall be handled as if they were designated pursuant to paragraph 4(a) or (b).

(c) Documents, papers, and transcripts that are filed with the court and contain any other party's CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY shall be filed in sealed envelopes and filed in accordance with DUCivR 5-3.

(d) To the extent that documents are reviewed by a receiving party prior to production, any knowledge learned during the review process will be treated by the receiving party as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY until such time as the documents have been produced, at which time any stamped classification will control. No photograph or any other means of duplication, including but not limited to electronic means, of materials provided for review prior to production is permitted before the documents are produced with the appropriate stamped classification.

(e) In the event that any question is asked at a deposition with respect to which a party asserts that the answer requires the disclosure of CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, such question shall nonetheless be answered by the witness fully and completely. Prior to answering, however, all persons present shall be advised of this Order by the party making the confidentiality assertion and, in the case of information designated as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY at the request of such party, all persons who are not allowed to obtain such information pursuant to this Order, other than the witness, shall leave the room during the time in which this information is disclosed or discussed.

(f) Nothing in this Protective Order shall bar or otherwise restrict outside counsel from rendering advice to his or her client with respect to this action and, in the course thereof, from relying in a general way upon his examination of materials designated CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY, provided, however, that in rendering such advice and in otherwise communicating with his or her clients, such counsel shall not disclose the specific contents of any materials designated CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY.

8. Inadvertent Failure to Designate

(a) In the event that a producing party inadvertently fails to designate any of its information pursuant to paragraph 4, it may later designate by notifying the receiving parties in writing. The receiving parties shall take reasonable steps to see that the information is thereafter treated in accordance with the designation.

(b) It shall be understood however, that no person or party shall incur any liability hereunder with respect to disclosure that occurred prior to receipt of written notice of a belated designation.

9. Challenge to Designation

(a) Any receiving party may challenge a producing party's designation at any time. A failure of any party to expressly challenge a claim of confidentiality or any document designation shall not constitute a waiver of the right to assert at any subsequent time that the same is not in-fact confidential or not an appropriate designation for any reason.

(b) Any receiving party may disagree with the designation of any information received from the producing party as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY. In that case, any receiving party desiring to disclose or to permit inspection of the same otherwise than is permitted in this Order, may request the producing party in writing to change the designation of a document or documents, stating with particularity the reasons for that request, and specifying the category to which the challenged document(s) should be de-designated. The producing party shall then have seven (7) days from the date of service of the request to:

- (i) advise the receiving parties whether or not it persists in such designation; and
- (ii) if it persists in the designation, to explain the reason for the particular designation and to state its intent to seek a protective order or any other order to maintain the designation.

(c) If no response is made within seven (7) days after service of the request under subparagraph (b), the information will be de-designated to the category requested by the receiving party. If, however, the request under subparagraph (b) above is responded to under subparagraph (b)(i) and (ii), within seven (7) days the producing party may then move the court for a protective order or any other order to maintain the designation. The burden of proving that the designation is proper shall be upon the producing party. If no such motion is made within seven (7) days after the statement to seek an order under subparagraph (b)(ii), the information will be de-designated to the category requested by the receiving party. In the event objections are made and not resolved informally and a motion is filed, disclosure of information shall not be made until

the issue has been resolved by the Court (or to any limited extent upon which the parties may agree).

No party shall be obligated to challenge the propriety of any designation when made, and failure to do so shall not preclude a subsequent challenge to the propriety of such designation.

(d) With respect to requests and applications to remove or change a designation, information shall not be considered confidential or proprietary to the producing party if:

- (i) the information in question has become available to the public through no violation of this Order; or
- (ii) the information was known to any receiving party prior to its receipt from the producing party; or
- (iii) the information was received by any receiving party without restrictions on disclosure from a third party having the right to make such a disclosure.

10. Inadvertently Produced Privileged Documents

The parties hereto also acknowledge that regardless of the producing party's diligence an inadvertent production of attorney-client privileged or attorney work product materials may occur. In accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(5) and Fed. R. Evid. 502, they therefore agree that if a party through inadvertence produces or provides discovery that it believes is subject to a claim of attorney-client privilege or attorney work product, the producing party may give written notice to the receiving party that the document or thing is subject to a claim of attorney-client privilege or attorney work product and request that the document or thing be returned to the producing party. The receiving party shall

return to the producing party such document or thing. Return of the document or thing shall not constitute an admission or concession, or permit any inference, that the returned document or thing is, in fact, properly subject to a claim of attorney-client privilege or attorney work product, nor shall it foreclose any party from moving the Court pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(5) and Fed. R. Evid. 502 for an Order that such document or thing has been improperly designated or should be produced.

11. Inadvertent Disclosure

In the event of an inadvertent disclosure of another party's CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY to a non-Qualified Recipient, the party making the inadvertent disclosure shall promptly upon learning of the disclosure: (i) notify the person to whom the disclosure was made that it contains CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY subject to this Order; (ii) make all reasonable efforts to preclude dissemination or use of the CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY by the person to whom disclosure was inadvertently made including, but not limited to, obtaining all copies of such materials from the non-Qualified Recipient; and (iii) notify the producing party of the identity of the person to whom the disclosure was made, the circumstances surrounding the disclosure, and the steps taken to ensure against the dissemination or use of the information.

12. Limitation

This Order shall be without prejudice to any party's right to assert at any time that any particular information or document is or is not subject to discovery, production or admissibility on the grounds other than confidentiality.

13. Conclusion of Action

(a) At the conclusion of this action, including through all appeals, each party or other person subject to the terms hereof shall be under an obligation to destroy or return to the producing party all materials and documents containing CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY and to certify to the producing party such destruction or return. Such return or destruction shall not relieve said parties or persons from any of the continuing obligations imposed upon them by this Order.

(b) After this action, trial counsel for each party may retain one archive copy of all documents and discovery material even if they contain or reflect another party's CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY. Trial counsel's archive copy shall remain subject to all obligations of this Order.

(c) The provisions of this paragraph shall not be binding on the United States, any insurance company, or any other party to the extent that such provisions conflict with applicable Federal or State law. The Department of Justice, any insurance company, or any other party shall notify the producing party in writing of any such conflict it identifies in connection with a particular matter so that such matter can be resolved either by the parties or by the Court.

14. Production by Third Parties Pursuant to Subpoena

Any third party producing documents or things or giving testimony in this action pursuant to a subpoena, notice or request may designate said documents, things, or testimony as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY. The parties agree that they will treat CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY produced by third parties according to the terms of this Order.

15. Compulsory Disclosure to Third Parties

If any receiving party is subpoenaed in another action or proceeding or served with a document or testimony demand or a court order, and such subpoena or demand or court order seeks CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY of a producing party, the receiving party shall give prompt written notice to counsel for the producing party and allow the producing party an opportunity to oppose such subpoena or demand or court order prior to the deadline for complying with the subpoena or demand or court order. No compulsory disclosure to third parties of information or material exchanged under this Order shall be deemed a waiver of any claim of confidentiality, except as expressly found by a court or judicial authority of competent jurisdiction.

16. Jurisdiction to Enforce Standard Protective Order

After the termination of this action, the Court will continue to have jurisdiction to enforce this Order.

17. Modification of Standard Protective Order

This Order is without prejudice to the right of any person or entity to seek a modification of this Order at any time either through stipulation or Order of the Court.

18. Confidentiality of Party's Own Documents

Nothing herein shall affect the right of the designating party to disclose to its officers, directors, employees, attorneys, consultants or experts, or to any other person, its own information. Such disclosure shall not waive the protections of this Standard Protective Order and shall not entitle other parties or their attorneys to disclose such information in violation of it, unless by such disclosure of the designating party the information becomes public knowledge. Similarly, the Standard Protective Order shall not preclude a party from showing its own information, including its own information that is filed under seal by a party, to its officers, directors, employees, attorneys, consultants or experts, or to any other person.

SO ORDERED AND ENTERED BY THE COURT PURSUANT TO DUCivR 26-2
EFFECTIVE AS OF THE COMMENCE OF THE ACTION.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH

<p>_____, Plaintiffs, vs. _____, Defendant.</p>	<p>DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT</p> <p>Honorable</p> <p>Magistrate Judge</p>
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I, _____, am employed by _____. In connection with this action, I am:

_____ a director, officer or employee of _____ who is directly assisting in this action;

_____ have been retained to furnish technical or other expert services or to give testimony (a "TECHNICAL ADVISOR");

_____ Other Qualified Recipient (as defined in the Protective Order)

(Describe: _____).

I have read, understand and agree to comply with and be bound by the terms of the Standard Protective Order in the matter of _____, Civil Action No. _____, pending in the United States District Court for the District of Utah. I further state that the Standard Protective Order entered by the Court, a copy of which has been given to me and which I have read, prohibits me from using any PROTECTED INFORMATION, including documents, for any purpose not appropriate or necessary to my participation in this action or disclosing such documents or information to

any person not entitled to receive them under the terms of the Standard Protective Order. To the extent I have been given access to PROTECTED INFORMATION, I will not in any way disclose, discuss, or exhibit such information except to those persons whom I know (a) are authorized under the Standard Protective Order to have access to such information, and (b) have executed a Disclosure Agreement. I will return, on request, all materials containing PROTECTED INFORMATION, copies thereof and notes that I have prepared relating thereto, to counsel for the party with whom I am associated. I agree to be bound by the Standard Protective Order in every aspect and to be subject to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the District of Utah for purposes of its enforcement and the enforcement of my obligations under this Disclosure Agreement. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed by Recipient

Name (printed)

Date: _____

Tab 4

1 **Rule 43. Evidence.**

2 **(a) Form.** In all trials and evidentiary hearings, the testimony of a witness must be taken
3 in open court, unless otherwise provided by these rules, the Utah Rules of Evidence, or
4 a statute of this state. In civil proceedings, the court may, upon request or on its own
5 order, and for good cause and with appropriate safeguards, permit remote testimony in
6 open court. Remote testimony will be presented via videoconference if reasonably
7 feasible, or if not, via telephone or assistive device.

8 **(b) Remote testimony safeguards.** No hearing may proceed unless the court ensures
9 that all necessary remote testimony safeguards are provided, by the court or by the
10 parties. An objection to a lack of safeguards is waived unless timely made. Remote
11 testimony safeguards must include:

- 12 (1) a notice of (i) the date, time, and method of transmission; (ii) instructions for
13 participation, and (iii) contact information for technical assistance;
- 14 (2) a verbatim record of the testimony;
- 15 (3) upon request to the court, access to the technology and resources to participate,
16 including an interpreter, telephone, or assistive device;
- 17 (4) a court-provided or party-provided means for a party and the party's counsel to
18 communicate confidentially;
- 19 (5) a court-provided or party-provided means for the party and the party's counsel
20 to share documents, photos, and other electronic materials among the remote
21 participants; and
- 22 (6) any other measures the court deems necessary to maintain the integrity of the
23 proceedings.

24 **(c) Remote hearing oath.** An oath in substantially the following form must be given
25 prior to any remote hearing testimony: "You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the
26 evidence you shall give in this matter ~~issue (or matter) pending between _____ and _____~~
27 shall be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, and that you will neither
28 communicate with, nor receive any communications from, another person during your
29 testimony unless authorized by the court, so help you God (or, under the pains and
30 penalties of perjury)."

31 **(d) Evidence on motions.** When a motion is based on facts not in the record, the court
32 may hear the matter on affidavits, declarations, oral testimony, or depositions.

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34 Effective May 1, 2021

Tab 5

Request for changes to Rule 26.1
From: Jim Hunnicutt, Brent and Nicole Salazar-Hall

Following changes to Rule 26.1, there is now a potential ambiguity between the deadlines stated in URCP 26 and 26.1 for service of initial disclosures in domestic relations actions. To help alleviate any perceived ambiguity or other confusion, members of the domestic relations subcommittee propose the following fix to Rule 26.1(b).

1 **Rule 26.1. Disclosure and discovery in domestic relations actions.**

2 **(a) Scope.** This rule applies to the following domestic relations actions: divorce;
3 temporary separation; separate maintenance; parentage; custody; child
4 support; and modification. This rule does not apply to adoptions, enforcement
5 of prior orders, cohabitant abuse protective orders, child protective orders, civil
6 stalking injunctions, or grandparent visitation.

7 **(b) Time for disclosure.** ~~In addition to the Initial Disclosures required~~
8 ~~in Rule 26, in all domestic relations actions, the documents required in this rule~~
9 In all domestic relations actions, the disclosures required by Rule 26 and this
10 rule must be served on the other parties within 14 days after filing of the first
11 answer to the complaint.

12 **(c) Financial declaration.** Each party must serve on all other parties a fully
13 completed Financial Declaration, using the court-approved form, and
14 attachments. Each party must attach to the Financial Declaration the following:

15 (1) For every item and amount listed in the Financial Declaration, excluding
16 monthly expenses, copies of statements verifying the amounts listed on the
17 Financial Declaration that are reasonably available to the party.

18 (2) For the two tax years before the petition was filed, complete federal and
19 state income tax returns, including Form W-2 and supporting tax schedules
20 and attachments, filed by or on behalf of that party or by or on behalf of any
21 entity in which the party has a majority or controlling interest, including,
22 but not limited to, Form 1099 and Form K-1 with respect to that party.

23 (3) Pay stubs and other evidence of all earned and un-earned income for the
24 12 months before the petition was filed.

25 (4) All loan applications and financial statements prepared or used by the
26 party within the 12 months before the petition was filed.

27 (5) Documents verifying the value of all real estate in which the party has an
28 interest, including, but not limited to, the most recent appraisal, tax
29 valuation and refinance documents.

30 (6) All statements for the 3 months before the petition was filed for all
31 financial accounts, including, but not limited to checking, savings, money
32 market funds, certificates of deposit, brokerage, investment, retirement,
33 regardless of whether the account has been closed including those held in
34 that party's name, jointly with another person or entity, or as a trustee or
35 guardian, or in someone else's name on that party's behalf.

36 (7) If the foregoing documents are not reasonably available or are in the
37 possession of the other party, the party disclosing the Financial Declaration
38 must estimate the amounts entered on the Financial Declaration, the basis
39 for the estimation and an explanation why the documents are not available.

40 **(d) Certificate of service.** Each party must file a Certificate of Service with the
41 court certifying that he or she has provided the Financial Declaration and
42 attachments to the other party.

43 **(e) Exemptions.**

44 (1) Agencies of the State of Utah are not subject to these disclosure
45 requirements.

46 (2) In cases where assets are not at issue, such as paternity, modification, and
47 grandparents' rights, a party must only serve:

48 (A) the party's last three current paystubs and the previous year tax
49 return;

50 (B) six months of bank and profit and loss statements if the party is self-
51 employed; and

52 (C) proof of any other assets or income relevant to the determination of a
53 child support award.

54 The court may require the parties to complete a full Financial Declaration
55 for purposes of determining an attorney fee award or for any other reason.

56 Any party may by motion or through the discovery process also request
57 completion of a full Financial Declaration.

58 **(f) Sanctions.** Failure to fully disclose all assets and income in the Financial
59 Declaration and attachments may subject the non-disclosing party to sanctions
60 under Rule 37 including an award of non-disclosed assets to the other party,
61 attorney's fees or other sanctions deemed appropriate by the court.

62 **(g) Failure to comply.** Failure of a party to comply with this rule does not
63 preclude any other party from obtaining a default judgment, proceeding with
64 the case, or seeking other relief from the court.

65 **(h) Notice of requirements.** Notice of the requirements of this rule must be
66 served on the other party and all joined parties with the initial petition.

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68 Effective November 1, 2021

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Tab 6

1 Restricting Access to Cases and Documents

- 2 a. Court records are public unless sealed, private, protected, or safeguarded pursuant to
3 statute, rule, or court order.
- 4 b. Unless a case is already appropriately classified by statute, rule or order, the party filing a
5 document with the court is responsible for:
 - 6 (1) redacting (by blacking out) information otherwise classified by statute, rule, or
7 order or;
 - 8 (2) obtaining an order making the document sealed, private, protected, or safeguarded
9 if the document contains information classified as such under statute, rule, or
10 court order.
 - 11 (3) Violations of this section may be subject to appropriate sanctions by the court,
12 including attorney's fees and compensatory damages.
- 13 c. A party may file a motion to classify a case as sealed, private, protected or safeguarded if
14 not already classified as such by statute or rule. Any such motion must contain specific
15 citations to statute, rule, order, or other authority authorizing restricting access to the
16 case, as well as evidence in affidavit form supporting any factual basis for the restriction.
17 **Such motions are disfavored.**
 - 18 (1) A motion to classify a case as restricted may be made ex parte.
 - 19 (2) The case will be treated as restricted in the manner requested by the motion
20 pending action by the court.
 - 21 (3) The court may deny the motion (thereby classifying the case as public), order less
22 restrictive classification than that requested, or order a response by any other
23 party to the case prior to ruling on the motion.
 - 24 (4) Unless otherwise ordered by the court, the case will be treated as classified as
25 stated in the court's order 14 days after the ruling.
- 26 d. A party may file a motion to classify a document as private, protected or safeguarded if
27 the case is not already classified as such. Any such motion must contain specific
28 citations to statute, rule, order, or other authority authorizing restricting access to the
29 document, as well as evidence in affidavit form supporting any factual basis for the
30 restriction. **Such motions are disfavored.** A general protective order specifying treatment
31 of documents exchanged in discovery is inadequate to support restricting access to a

32 document without an independent factual and legal basis for the specific document
33 sought to be restricted.

34 (1) A motion to classify a document as restricted may be made ex parte.

35 (2) The motion itself may seek to be treated as restricted if similarly supported by a
36 factual and legal basis.

37 (3) A redacted version (with all material claimed to be restricted blacked out) of each
38 document for which restriction is sought must be filed with the court in the public
39 record.

40 (4) The document (and motion, if such protection is sought) will be treated as
41 restricted in the manner requested by the motion pending action by the court.

42 (5) The court may deny the motion (thereby classifying the document as public),
43 order less restrictive classification than that requested, order redaction in lieu of
44 restriction, [require a redacted version of the document to be filed in addition to
45 the restricted version,] or order a response by any other party to the case prior to
46 ruling on the motion.

47 (6) Unless otherwise ordered by the court, the document will be treated as classified
48 as stated in the court's order 14 days after ruling.

49 e. A party to a case, including a party intervening for such purpose, may file a motion to
50 reclassify a case or document. Such motion may not be made ex parte.

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Tab 7

1 **Rule 7. Pleadings allowed; motions, memoranda, hearings, orders.**

2 **(a) Pleadings.** Only these pleadings are allowed:

- 3 (1) a complaint;
- 4 (2) an answer to a complaint;
- 5 (3) an answer to a counterclaim designated as a counterclaim;
- 6 (4) an answer to a crossclaim;
- 7 (5) a third-party complaint;
- 8 (6) an answer to a third-party complaint; and
- 9 (7) a reply to an answer if ordered by the court.

10 **(b) Motions.** A request for an order must be made by motion. The motion must be in
11 writing unless made during a hearing or trial, must state the relief requested, and must
12 state the grounds for the relief requested. Except for the following, a motion must be
13 made in accordance with this rule.

- 14 (1) A motion, other than a motion described in paragraphs (b)(2), (b)(3) or (b)(4),
15 made in proceedings before a court commissioner must follow Rule [101](#).
- 16 (2) A request under [Rule 26](#) for extraordinary discovery must follow Rule [37\(a\)](#).
- 17 (3) A request under Rule [37](#) for a protective order or for an order compelling
18 disclosure or discovery – but not a motion for sanctions – must follow Rule [37\(a\)](#).
- 19 (4) A request under Rule [45](#) to quash a subpoena must follow Rule [37\(a\)](#).
- 20 (5) A motion for summary judgment must follow the procedures of this rule as
21 supplemented by the requirements of Rule [56](#).

22 **(c) Name and content of motion.**

- 23 (1) The rules governing captions and other matters of form in pleadings apply to
24 motions and other papers.
- 25 (2) **Caution language.** For all dispositive motions, the motion must include the
26 following caution language at the top right corner of the first page, in bold
27 type: **This motion requires you to respond. Please see the Notice to Responding**
28 **Party.**
- 29 (3) **Bilingual notice.** All motions must include or attach the bilingual Notice to
30 Responding Party approved by the Judicial Council.
- 31 (4) **Failure to include caution language and notice.** Failure to include the caution
32 language in paragraph (c)(2) or the bilingual notice in paragraph (c)(3) may be

33 grounds to continue the hearing on the motion, or may provide the non-moving
34 party with a basis under Rule 60(b) for excusable neglect to set aside the order
35 resulting from the motion. Parties may opt out of receiving the notices set forth in
36 paragraphs (c)(2) and (c)(3) while represented by counsel.

37 (5) **Title of motion.** The moving party must title the motion substantially as:
38 “Motion [short phrase describing the relief requested].”

39 (6) **Contents of motion.** The motion must include the supporting memorandum. The
40 motion must include under appropriate headings and in the following order:

41 (A) a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the relief
42 requested; and

43 (B) one or more sections that include a concise statement of the relevant facts
44 claimed by the moving party and argument citing authority for the relief
45 requested.

46 (7) If the moving party cites documents, interrogatory answers, deposition
47 testimony, or other discovery materials, relevant portions of those materials must be
48 attached to or submitted with the motion.

49 (8) **Length of motion.** If the motion is for relief authorized
50 by Rule [12\(b\)](#) or [12\(c\)](#), Rule [56](#) or Rule [65A](#), the motion may not exceed [10,000 words](#),
51 [or 25 pages](#), ~~not counting the attachments~~, unless a longer motion is permitted by
52 the court. Other motions may not exceed [6,000 words, or 15 pages](#), ~~not counting the~~
53 ~~attachments~~, unless a longer motion is permitted by the court.

54 **(d) Name and content of memorandum opposing the motion.**

55 (1) A nonmoving party may file a memorandum opposing the motion within 14
56 days after the motion is filed. The nonmoving party must title the memorandum
57 substantially as: “Memorandum opposing motion [short phrase describing the relief
58 requested].” The memorandum must include under appropriate headings and in the
59 following order:

60 (A) a concise statement of the party’s preferred disposition of the motion and the
61 grounds supporting that disposition;

62 (B) one or more sections that include a concise statement of the relevant facts
63 claimed by the nonmoving party and argument citing authority for that
64 disposition; and

65 (C) objections to evidence in the motion, citing authority for the objection.

66 (2) If the non-moving party cites documents, interrogatory answers, deposition
67 testimony, or other discovery materials, relevant portions of those materials must be
68 attached to or submitted with the memorandum.

69 (3) If the motion is for relief authorized by Rule 12(b) or 12(c), Rule 56 or Rule 65A,
70 the memorandum opposing the motion may not exceed 10,000 words, or 25 pages,
71 ~~not counting the attachments~~, unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the
72 court. Other opposing memoranda may not exceed 6,000 words, or 15 pages, ~~not~~
73 ~~counting the attachments~~, unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the court.

74 **(e) Name and content of reply memorandum.**

75 (1) Within 7 days after the memorandum opposing the motion is filed, the moving
76 party may file a reply memorandum, which must be limited to rebuttal of new
77 matters raised in the memorandum opposing the motion. The moving party must
78 title the memorandum substantially as "Reply memorandum supporting motion
79 [short phrase describing the relief requested]." The memorandum must include
80 under appropriate headings and in the following order:

81 (A) a concise statement of the new matter raised in the memorandum opposing
82 the motion;

83 (B) one or more sections that include a concise statement of the relevant facts
84 claimed by the moving party not previously set forth that respond to the
85 opposing party's statement of facts and argument citing authority rebutting the
86 new matter;

87 (C) objections to evidence in the memorandum opposing the motion, citing
88 authority for the objection; and

89 (D) response to objections made in the memorandum opposing the motion, citing
90 authority for the response.

91 (2) If the moving party cites documents, interrogatory answers, deposition
92 testimony, or other discovery materials, relevant portions of those materials must be
93 attached to or submitted with the memorandum.

94 (3) If the motion is for relief authorized by Rule 12(b) or 12(c), Rule 56 or Rule 65A,
95 the reply memorandum may not exceed 6,000 words, or 15 pages, ~~not counting the~~
96 ~~attachments~~, unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the court. Other reply
97 memoranda may not exceed 4,000 words, or 10 pages, ~~not counting the attachments~~,
98 unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the court.

99 **(f) Objection to evidence in the reply memorandum; response.** If the reply
100 memorandum includes an objection to evidence, the nonmoving party may file a

101 response to the objection no later than 7 days after the reply memorandum is filed. If
102 the reply memorandum includes evidence not previously set forth, the nonmoving
103 party may file an objection to the evidence no later than 7 days after the reply
104 memorandum is filed, and the moving party may file a response to the objection no
105 later than 7 days after the objection is filed. The objection or response may not be more
106 than [1,200 words, or](#) 3 pages.

107 **(g) Request to submit for decision.** When briefing is complete or the time for briefing
108 has expired, either party may file a “Request to Submit for Decision,” but, if no party
109 files a request, the motion will not be submitted for decision. The request to submit for
110 decision must state whether a hearing has been requested and the dates on which the
111 following documents were filed:

112 (1) the motion;

113 (2) the memorandum opposing the motion, if any;

114 (3) the reply memorandum, if any; and

115 (g)(4) the response to objections in the reply memorandum, if any.

116 **(h) Hearings.** The court may hold a hearing on any motion. A party may request a
117 hearing in the motion, in a memorandum or in the request to submit for decision. A
118 request for hearing must be separately identified in the caption of the document
119 containing the request. The court must grant a request for a hearing on a motion
120 under Rule [56](#) or a motion that would dispose of the action or any claim or defense in
121 the action unless the court finds that the motion or opposition to the motion is frivolous
122 or the issue has been authoritatively decided. A motion hearing may be held remotely,
123 consistent with the safeguards in Rule 43(b).

124 **(i) Notice of supplemental authority.** A party may file notice of citation to significant
125 authority that comes to the party’s attention after the party’s motion or memorandum
126 has been filed or after oral argument but before decision. The notice may not exceed [800](#)
127 [words, or](#) 2 pages. The notice must state the citation to the authority, the page of the
128 motion or memorandum or the point orally argued to which the authority applies, and
129 the reason the authority is relevant. Any other party may promptly file a response, but
130 the court may act on the motion without waiting for a response. The response may not
131 exceed [800 words, or](#) 2 pages.

132 **(j) Orders.**

133 **(1) Decision complete when signed; entered when recorded.** However designated,
134 the court’s decision on a motion is complete when signed by the judge. The decision
135 is entered when recorded in the docket.

136 **(2) Preparing and serving a proposed order.** Within 14 days of being directed by the
137 court to prepare a proposed order confirming the court’s decision, a party must
138 serve the proposed order on the other parties for review and approval as to form. If
139 the party directed to prepare a proposed order fails to timely serve the order, any
140 other party may prepare a proposed order confirming the court’s decision and serve
141 the proposed order on the other parties for review and approval as to form.

142 **(3) Effect of approval as to form.** A party’s approval as to form of a proposed order
143 certifies that the proposed order accurately reflects the court’s decision. Approval as
144 to form does not waive objections to the substance of the order.

145 **(4) Objecting to a proposed order.** A party may object to the form of the proposed
146 order by filing an objection within 7 days after the order is served.

147 **(5) Filing proposed order.** The party preparing a proposed order must file it:

148 (A) after all other parties have approved the form of the order (The party
149 preparing the proposed order must indicate the means by which approval was
150 received: in person; by telephone; by signature; by email; etc.);

151 (B) after the time to object to the form of the order has expired (The party
152 preparing the proposed order must also file a certificate of service of the
153 proposed order.); or

154 (C) within 7 days after a party has objected to the form of the order (The party
155 preparing the proposed order may also file a response to the objection.).

156 **(6) Proposed order before decision prohibited; exceptions.** A party may not file a
157 proposed order concurrently with a motion or a memorandum or a request to
158 submit for decision, but a proposed order must be filed with:

159 (A) a stipulated motion;

160 (B) a motion that can be acted on without waiting for a response;

161 (C) an ex parte motion;

162 (D) a statement of discovery issues under Rule [37\(a\)](#); and

163 (E) the request to submit for decision a motion in which a memorandum
164 opposing the motion has not been filed.

165 **(7) Orders entered without a response; ex parte orders.** An order entered on a
166 motion under paragraph (l) or (m) can be vacated or modified by the judge who
167 made it with or without notice.

168 **(8) Order to pay money.** An order to pay money can be enforced in the same
169 manner as if it were a judgment.

170 **(k) Stipulated motions.** A party seeking relief that has been agreed to by the other
171 parties may file a stipulated motion which must:

172 (1) be titled substantially as: “Stipulated motion [short phrase describing the relief
173 requested]”;

174 (2) include a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the relief
175 requested;

176 (3) include a signed stipulation in or attached to the motion and;

177 (4) be accompanied by a request to submit for decision and a proposed order that
178 has been approved by the other parties.

179 **(l) Motions that may be acted on without waiting for a response.**

180 (1) The court may act on the following motions without waiting for a response:

181 (A) motion to permit an over-length motion or memorandum;

182 (B) motion for an extension of time if filed before the expiration of time;

183 (C) motion to appear pro hac vice; and

184 (D) other similar motions.

185 (2) A motion that can be acted on without waiting for a response must:

186 (A) be titled as a regular motion;

187 (B) include a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the
188 relief requested;

189 (C) cite the statute or rule authorizing the motion to be acted on without waiting
190 for a response; and

191 (D) be accompanied by a request to submit for decision and a proposed order.

192 **(m) Ex parte motions.** If a statute or rule permits a motion to be filed without serving
193 the motion on the other parties, the party seeking relief may file an ex parte motion
194 which must:

195 (1) be titled substantially as: “Ex parte motion [short phrase describing the relief
196 requested]”;

197 (2) include a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the relief
198 requested;

199 (3) cite the statute or rule authorizing the ex parte motion;

200 (4) be accompanied by a request to submit for decision and a proposed order.

201 **(n) Motion in opposing memorandum or reply memorandum prohibited.** A party
202 may not make a motion in a memorandum opposing a motion or in a reply
203 memorandum. A party who objects to evidence in another party's motion or
204 memorandum may not move to strike that evidence. Instead, the party must include in
205 the subsequent memorandum an objection to the evidence.

206 **(o) Overlength motion or memorandum.** The court may permit a party to file
207 an overlength motion or memorandum upon a showing of good cause.
208 An overlength motion or memorandum must include a table of contents and a table of
209 authorities with page references.

210 **(p) Limited statement of facts and authority.** No statement of facts and legal
211 authorities beyond the concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the
212 relief requested required in paragraph (c) is required for the following motions:

- 213 (1) motion to allow an over-length motion or memorandum;
- 214 (2) motion to extend the time to perform an act, if the motion is filed before the time
215 to perform the act has expired;
- 216 (3) motion to continue a hearing;
- 217 (4) motion to appoint a guardian ad litem;
- 218 (5) motion to substitute parties;
- 219 (6) motion to refer the action to or withdraw it from alternative dispute resolution
220 under Rule 4-510.05;
- 221 (7) motion for a conference under Rule 16; and
- 222 (8) motion to approve a stipulation of the parties.

223 **(q) Word and page limits.** The word and page limits in this rule exclude the following:
224 caption, table of contents, table of authorities, signature block, certificate of service, and
225 exhibits. Any filer relying on the word limits in this rule must include a certification
226 that the document complies with the applicable word limit and must state the number
227 of words in the document.

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1 **Rule 7. Pleadings allowed; motions, memoranda, hearings, orders.**

2 **(a) Pleadings.** Only these pleadings are allowed:

- 3 (1) a complaint;
- 4 (2) an answer to a complaint;
- 5 (3) an answer to a counterclaim designated as a counterclaim;
- 6 (4) an answer to a crossclaim;
- 7 (5) a third-party complaint;
- 8 (6) an answer to a third-party complaint; and
- 9 (7) a reply to an answer if ordered by the court.

10 **(b) Motions.** A request for an order must be made by motion. The motion must be in
11 writing unless made during a hearing or trial, must state the relief requested, and must
12 state the grounds for the relief requested. Except for the following, a motion must be
13 made in accordance with this rule.

- 14 (1) A motion, other than a motion described in paragraphs (b)(2), (b)(3) or (b)(4),
15 made in proceedings before a court commissioner must follow Rule [101](#).
- 16 (2) A request under [Rule 26](#) for extraordinary discovery must follow Rule [37\(a\)](#).
- 17 (3) A request under Rule [37](#) for a protective order or for an order compelling
18 disclosure or discovery – but not a motion for sanctions – must follow Rule [37\(a\)](#).
- 19 (4) A request under Rule [45](#) to quash a subpoena must follow Rule [37\(a\)](#).
- 20 (5) A motion for summary judgment must follow the procedures of this rule as
21 supplemented by the requirements of Rule [56](#).

22 **(c) Name and content of motion.**

- 23 (1) The rules governing captions and other matters of form in pleadings apply to
24 motions and other papers.
- 25 (2) **Caution language.** For all dispositive motions, the motion must include the
26 following caution language at the top right corner of the first page, in bold
27 type: **This motion requires you to respond. Please see the Notice to Responding**
28 **Party.**
- 29 (3) **Bilingual notice.** All motions must include or attach the bilingual Notice to
30 Responding Party approved by the Judicial Council.
- 31 (4) **Failure to include caution language and notice.** Failure to include the caution
32 language in paragraph (c)(2) or the bilingual notice in paragraph (c)(3) may be

33 grounds to continue the hearing on the motion, or may provide the non-moving
34 party with a basis under Rule 60(b) for excusable neglect to set aside the order
35 resulting from the motion. Parties may opt out of receiving the notices set forth in
36 paragraphs (c)(2) and (c)(3) while represented by counsel.

37 (5) **Title of motion.** The moving party must title the motion substantially as:
38 “Motion [short phrase describing the relief requested].”

39 (6) **Contents of motion.** The motion must include the supporting memorandum. The
40 motion must include under appropriate headings and in the following order:

41 (A) a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the relief
42 requested; and

43 (B) one or more sections that include a concise statement of the relevant facts
44 claimed by the moving party and argument citing authority for the relief
45 requested.

46 (7) If the moving party cites documents, interrogatory answers, deposition
47 testimony, or other discovery materials, relevant portions of those materials must be
48 attached to or submitted with the motion.

49 (8) **Length of motion.** If the motion is for relief authorized
50 by Rule [12\(b\)](#) or [12\(c\)](#), Rule [56](#) or Rule [65A](#), the motion may not exceed [10,000 words](#),
51 [or 25 pages](#), ~~not counting the attachments~~, unless a longer motion is permitted by
52 the court. Other motions may not exceed [6,000 words](#), [or 15 pages](#), ~~not counting the~~
53 ~~attachments~~, unless a longer motion is permitted by the court. [The word and page](#)
54 [limits exclude the following: caption, table of contents, table of authorities, signature](#)
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56 [limits in this rule must include a certification that the document complies with the](#)
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58 **(d) Name and content of memorandum opposing the motion.**

59 (1) A nonmoving party may file a memorandum opposing the motion within 14
60 days after the motion is filed. The nonmoving party must title the memorandum
61 substantially as: “Memorandum opposing motion [short phrase describing the relief
62 requested].” The memorandum must include under appropriate headings and in the
63 following order:

64 (A) a concise statement of the party’s preferred disposition of the motion and the
65 grounds supporting that disposition;

66 (B) one or more sections that include a concise statement of the relevant facts
67 claimed by the nonmoving party and argument citing authority for that
68 disposition; and

69 (C) objections to evidence in the motion, citing authority for the objection.

70 (2) If the non-moving party cites documents, interrogatory answers, deposition
71 testimony, or other discovery materials, relevant portions of those materials must be
72 attached to or submitted with the memorandum.

73 (3) If the motion is for relief authorized by Rule [12\(b\)](#) or [12\(c\)](#), Rule [56](#) or Rule [65A](#),
74 the memorandum opposing the motion may not exceed [10,000 words, or](#) 25 pages,
75 ~~not counting the attachments~~, unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the
76 court. Other opposing memoranda may not exceed [6,000 words, or](#) 15 pages, ~~not~~
77 ~~counting the attachments~~, unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the court.
78 [The word and page limits exclude the following: caption, table of contents, table of](#)
79 [authorities, signature block, certificate of service, and exhibits. Any filer relying on](#)
80 [the word limits in this rule must include a certification that the document complies](#)
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82 **(e) Name and content of reply memorandum.**

83 (1) Within 7 days after the memorandum opposing the motion is filed, the moving
84 party may file a reply memorandum, which must be limited to rebuttal of new
85 matters raised in the memorandum opposing the motion. The moving party must
86 title the memorandum substantially as “Reply memorandum supporting motion
87 [short phrase describing the relief requested].” The memorandum must include
88 under appropriate headings and in the following order:

89 (A) a concise statement of the new matter raised in the memorandum opposing
90 the motion;

91 (B) one or more sections that include a concise statement of the relevant facts
92 claimed by the moving party not previously set forth that respond to the
93 opposing party’s statement of facts and argument citing authority rebutting the
94 new matter;

95 (C) objections to evidence in the memorandum opposing the motion, citing
96 authority for the objection; and

97 (D) response to objections made in the memorandum opposing the motion, citing
98 authority for the response.

99 (2) If the moving party cites documents, interrogatory answers, deposition
100 testimony, or other discovery materials, relevant portions of those materials must be
101 attached to or submitted with the memorandum.

102 (3) If the motion is for relief authorized by Rule 12(b) or 12(c), Rule 56 or Rule 65A,
103 the reply memorandum may not exceed 6,000 words, or 15 pages, ~~not counting the~~
104 ~~attachments~~, unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the court. Other reply
105 memoranda may not exceed 4,000 words, or 10 pages, ~~not counting the attachments~~,
106 unless a longer memorandum is permitted by the court. The word and page limits
107 exclude the following: caption, table of contents, table of authorities, signature block,
108 certificate of service, and exhibits. Any filer relying on the word limits in this rule
109 must include a certification that the document complies with the applicable word
110 limit and must state the number of words in the document.

111 **(f) Objection to evidence in the reply memorandum; response.** If the reply
112 memorandum includes an objection to evidence, the nonmoving party may file a
113 response to the objection no later than 7 days after the reply memorandum is filed. If
114 the reply memorandum includes evidence not previously set forth, the nonmoving
115 party may file an objection to the evidence no later than 7 days after the reply
116 memorandum is filed, and the moving party may file a response to the objection no
117 later than 7 days after the objection is filed. The objection or response may not be more
118 than 1,200 words, or 3 pages. The word and page limits exclude the following: caption,
119 table of contents, table of authorities, signature block, certificate of service, and exhibits.
120 Any filer relying on the word limits in this rule must include a certification that the
121 document complies with the applicable word limit and must state the number of words
122 in the document.

123 **(g) Request to submit for decision.** When briefing is complete or the time for briefing
124 has expired, either party may file a “Request to Submit for Decision,” but, if no party
125 files a request, the motion will not be submitted for decision. The request to submit for
126 decision must state whether a hearing has been requested and the dates on which the
127 following documents were filed:

128 (1) the motion;

129 (2) the memorandum opposing the motion, if any;

130 (3) the reply memorandum, if any; and

131 (g)(4) the response to objections in the reply memorandum, if any.

132 **(h) Hearings.** The court may hold a hearing on any motion. A party may request a
133 hearing in the motion, in a memorandum or in the request to submit for decision. A
134 request for hearing must be separately identified in the caption of the document

135 containing the request. The court must grant a request for a hearing on a motion
136 under Rule [56](#) or a motion that would dispose of the action or any claim or defense in
137 the action unless the court finds that the motion or opposition to the motion is frivolous
138 or the issue has been authoritatively decided. A motion hearing may be held remotely,
139 consistent with the safeguards in Rule 43(b).

140 **(i) Notice of supplemental authority.** A party may file notice of citation to significant
141 authority that comes to the party's attention after the party's motion or memorandum
142 has been filed or after oral argument but before decision. The notice may not exceed [800](#)
143 [words, or 2](#) pages. The notice must state the citation to the authority, the page of the
144 motion or memorandum or the point orally argued to which the authority applies, and
145 the reason the authority is relevant. Any other party may promptly file a response, but
146 the court may act on the motion without waiting for a response. The response may not
147 exceed [800 words, or 2](#) pages. [The word and page limits exclude the following: caption,](#)
148 [table of contents, table of authorities, signature block, certificate of service, and exhibits.](#)
149 [Any filer relying on the word limits in this rule must include a certification that the](#)
150 [document complies with the applicable word limit and must state the number of words](#)
151 [in the document.](#)

152 **(j) Orders.**

153 **(1) Decision complete when signed; entered when recorded.** However designated,
154 the court's decision on a motion is complete when signed by the judge. The decision
155 is entered when recorded in the docket.

156 **(2) Preparing and serving a proposed order.** Within 14 days of being directed by the
157 court to prepare a proposed order confirming the court's decision, a party must
158 serve the proposed order on the other parties for review and approval as to form. If
159 the party directed to prepare a proposed order fails to timely serve the order, any
160 other party may prepare a proposed order confirming the court's decision and serve
161 the proposed order on the other parties for review and approval as to form.

162 **(3) Effect of approval as to form.** A party's approval as to form of a proposed order
163 certifies that the proposed order accurately reflects the court's decision. Approval as
164 to form does not waive objections to the substance of the order.

165 **(4) Objecting to a proposed order.** A party may object to the form of the proposed
166 order by filing an objection within 7 days after the order is served.

167 **(5) Filing proposed order.** The party preparing a proposed order must file it:

168 (A) after all other parties have approved the form of the order (The party
169 preparing the proposed order must indicate the means by which approval was
170 received: in person; by telephone; by signature; by email; etc.);

171 (B) after the time to object to the form of the order has expired (The party
172 preparing the proposed order must also file a certificate of service of the
173 proposed order.); or

174 (C) within 7 days after a party has objected to the form of the order (The party
175 preparing the proposed order may also file a response to the objection.).

176 **(6) Proposed order before decision prohibited; exceptions.** A party may not file a
177 proposed order concurrently with a motion or a memorandum or a request to
178 submit for decision, but a proposed order must be filed with:

179 (A) a stipulated motion;

180 (B) a motion that can be acted on without waiting for a response;

181 (C) an ex parte motion;

182 (D) a statement of discovery issues under Rule [37\(a\)](#); and

183 (E) the request to submit for decision a motion in which a memorandum
184 opposing the motion has not been filed.

185 **(7) Orders entered without a response; ex parte orders.** An order entered on a
186 motion under paragraph (l) or (m) can be vacated or modified by the judge who
187 made it with or without notice.

188 **(8) Order to pay money.** An order to pay money can be enforced in the same
189 manner as if it were a judgment.

190 **(k) Stipulated motions.** A party seeking relief that has been agreed to by the other
191 parties may file a stipulated motion which must:

192 (1) be titled substantially as: "Stipulated motion [short phrase describing the relief
193 requested]";

194 (2) include a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the relief
195 requested;

196 (3) include a signed stipulation in or attached to the motion and;

197 (4) be accompanied by a request to submit for decision and a proposed order that
198 has been approved by the other parties.

199 **(l) Motions that may be acted on without waiting for a response.**

200 (1) The court may act on the following motions without waiting for a response:

201 (A) motion to permit an over-length motion or memorandum;

202 (B) motion for an extension of time if filed before the expiration of time;

203 (C) motion to appear pro hac vice; and

204 (D) other similar motions.

205 (2) A motion that can be acted on without waiting for a response must:

206 (A) be titled as a regular motion;

207 (B) include a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the
208 relief requested;

209 (C) cite the statute or rule authorizing the motion to be acted on without waiting
210 for a response; and

211 (D) be accompanied by a request to submit for decision and a proposed order.

212 **(m) Ex parte motions.** If a statute or rule permits a motion to be filed without serving
213 the motion on the other parties, the party seeking relief may file an ex parte motion
214 which must:

215 (1) be titled substantially as: "Ex parte motion [short phrase describing the relief
216 requested]";

217 (2) include a concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the relief
218 requested;

219 (3) cite the statute or rule authorizing the ex parte motion;

220 (4) be accompanied by a request to submit for decision and a proposed order.

221 **(n) Motion in opposing memorandum or reply memorandum prohibited.** A party
222 may not make a motion in a memorandum opposing a motion or in a reply
223 memorandum. A party who objects to evidence in another party's motion or
224 memorandum may not move to strike that evidence. Instead, the party must include in
225 the subsequent memorandum an objection to the evidence.

226 **(o) Overlength motion or memorandum.** The court may permit a party to file
227 an overlength motion or memorandum upon a showing of good cause.

228 An overlength motion or memorandum must include a table of contents and a table of
229 authorities with page references.

230 **(p) Limited statement of facts and authority.** No statement of facts and legal
231 authorities beyond the concise statement of the relief requested and the grounds for the
232 relief requested required in paragraph (c) is required for the following motions:

233 (1) motion to allow an over-length motion or memorandum;

234 (2) motion to extend the time to perform an act, if the motion is filed before the time
235 to perform the act has expired;

- 236 (3) motion to continue a hearing;
- 237 (4) motion to appoint a guardian ad litem;
- 238 (5) motion to substitute parties;
- 239 (6) motion to refer the action to or withdraw it from alternative dispute resolution
- 240 under Rule 4-510.05;
- 241 (7) motion for a conference under Rule [16](#); and
- 242 (8) motion to approve a stipulation of the parties.

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1 **Rule 101. Motion practice before court commissioners.**

2 **(a) Written motion required.** An application to a court commissioner for an
3 order must be by motion which, unless made during a hearing, must be made
4 in accordance with this rule.

5 (1) A motion must be in writing and state succinctly and with
6 particularity the relief sought and the grounds for the relief sought. Any
7 evidence necessary to support the moving party's position must be
8 presented by way of one or more affidavits or declarations or other
9 admissible evidence. The motion may also include a supporting
10 memorandum.

11 (2) All motions must provide the bilingual Notice to Responding Party
12 approved by the Judicial Council.

13 (3) Each motion to a court commissioner must include the following
14 caution language at the top right corner of the first page, in bold
15 type: **This motion will be decided by the court commissioner at an
16 upcoming hearing. If you do not appear at the hearing, the Court
17 might make a decision against you without your input. In addition,
18 you may file a written response at least 14 days before the hearing.**

19 (4) Failure to provide the bilingual Notice to Responding Party or to include
20 the caution language may provide the non-moving party with a basis under
21 Rule 60(b) for excusable neglect to set aside any resulting order or
22 judgment. **(b) Time to file and serve.** The moving party must file the motion
23 and any supporting papers with the clerk of the court and obtain a hearing
24 date and time. The moving party must serve the responding party with the
25 motion and supporting papers, together with notice of the hearing at least 28
26 days before the hearing. If service is more than 90 days after the date of entry
27 of the most recent appealable order, service may not be made through
28 counsel.

29 **(c) Response.** Any other party may file a response, consisting of any
30 responsive memorandum, affidavit(s) or declaration(s). The response must be
31 filed and served on the moving party at least 14 days before the hearing.

32 **(d) Reply.** The moving party may file a reply, consisting of any reply
33 memorandum, affidavit(s) or declaration(s). The reply must be filed and

34 served on the responding party at least 7 days before the hearing. The
35 contents of the reply must be limited to rebuttal of new matters raised in the
36 response to the motion.

37 **(e) Counter motion.** Responding to a motion is not sufficient to grant relief to
38 the responding party. A responding party may request affirmative relief by
39 way of a counter motion. A counter motion need not be limited to the subject
40 matter of the original motion. All of the provisions of this rule apply to
41 counter motions except that a counter motion must be filed and served with
42 the response. Any response to the counter motion must be filed and served no
43 later than the reply to the motion. Any reply to the response to the counter
44 motion must be filed and served at least 3 business days before the hearing.
45 The reply must be served in a manner that will cause the reply to be actually
46 received by the party responding to the counter motion (i.e. hand-delivery,
47 fax or other electronic delivery as allowed by rule or agreed by the parties) at
48 least 3 business days before the hearing. A separate notice of hearing on
49 counter motions is not required.

50 **(f) Necessary documentation.** Motions and responses regarding temporary
51 orders concerning alimony, child support, division of debts, possession or
52 disposition of assets, or litigation expenses, must be accompanied by verified
53 financial declarations with documentary income verification attached as
54 exhibits, unless financial declarations and documentation are already in the
55 court's file and remain current. Attachments for motions and responses
56 regarding child support and child custody must also include a child support
57 worksheet.

58 **(g) No other papers.** No moving or responding papers other than those
59 specified in this rule are permitted.

60 **(h) Exhibits; objection to failure to attach.**

61 (1) Except as provided in paragraph (h)(3) of this rule, any documents such
62 as tax returns, bank statements, receipts, photographs, correspondence,
63 calendars, medical records, forms, or photographs must be supplied to the
64 court as exhibits to one or more affidavits (as appropriate) establishing the
65 necessary foundational requirements. Copies of court papers such as
66 decrees, orders, minute entries, motions, or affidavits, already in the court's
67 case file, may not be filed as exhibits. Court papers from cases other than

68 that before the court, such as protective orders, prior divorce decrees,
69 criminal orders, information or dockets, and juvenile court orders (to the
70 extent the law does not prohibit their filing), may be submitted as exhibits.

71 (2) If papers or exhibits referred to in a motion or necessary to support the
72 moving party's position are not served with the motion, the responding
73 party may file and serve an objection to the defect with the response. If
74 papers or exhibits referred to in the response or necessary to support the
75 responding party's position are not served with the response, the moving
76 party may file and serve an objection to the defect with the reply. The
77 defect must be cured within 2 business days after notice of the defect or at
78 least 3 business days before the hearing, whichever is earlier.

79 (3) Voluminous exhibits which cannot conveniently be examined in court
80 may not be filed as exhibits, but the contents of such documents may be
81 presented in the form of a summary, chart or calculation under Rule 1006
82 of the Utah Rules of Evidence. Unless they have been previously supplied
83 through discovery or otherwise and are readily identifiable, copies of any
84 such voluminous documents must be supplied to the other parties at the
85 time of the filing of the summary, chart or calculation. The originals or
86 duplicates of the documents must be available at the hearing for
87 examination by the parties and the commissioner. Collections of
88 documents, such as bank statements, checks, receipts, medical records,
89 photographs, e-mails, calendars and journal entries that collectively exceed
90 ten pages in length must be presented in summary form. Individual
91 documents with specific legal significance, such as tax returns, appraisals,
92 financial statements and reports prepared by an accountant, wills, trust
93 documents, contracts, or settlement agreements must be submitted in their
94 entirety.

95 **(i) Length.** Initial and responding memoranda may not exceed [4,000 words, or](#)
96 10 pages₂ of argument without leave of the court. Reply memoranda may not
97 exceed [2000 words, or](#) 5 pages₂ of argument without leave of the court. The
98 total number of pages submitted to the court by each party may not exceed 25
99 pages, including affidavits, attachments and summaries, but excluding
100 financial declarations and income verification. The court commissioner may
101 permit the party to file an over-length memorandum upon ex parte
102 application and showing of good cause. [The word and page limits exclude the](#)

103 [following: caption, table of contents, table of authorities, signature block, certificate of](#)
104 [service, and exhibits. Any filer relying on the word limits in this rule must include a](#)
105 [certification that the document complies with the applicable word limit and must state](#)
106 [the number of words in the document.](#)

107 **(j) Late filings; sanctions.** If a party files or serves papers beyond the time
108 required in this rule, the court commissioner may hold or continue the
109 hearing, reject the papers, impose costs and attorney fees caused by the failure
110 and by the continuance, and impose other sanctions as appropriate.

111 **(k) Limit on order to show cause.** An application to the court for an order to
112 show cause may be made only for enforcement of an existing order or for
113 sanctions for violating an existing order. An application for an order to show
114 cause must be supported by affidavit or other evidence sufficient to show
115 cause to believe a party has violated a court order.

116 **(l) Hearings.**

117 (1) The court commissioner may not hold a hearing on a motion for
118 temporary orders before the deadline for an appearance by the respondent
119 under Rule 12.

120 (2) Unless the court commissioner specifically requires otherwise, when the
121 statement of a person is set forth in an affidavit, declaration or other
122 document accepted by the commissioner, that person need not be present
123 at the hearing. The statements of any person not set forth in an affidavit,
124 declaration or other acceptable document may not be presented by proffer
125 unless the person is present at the hearing and the commissioner finds that
126 fairness requires its admission.

127 **(m) Motions to judge.** The following motions must be to the judge to whom
128 the case is assigned: motion for alternative service; motion to waive 30-day
129 waiting period; motion to waive divorce education class; motion for leave to
130 withdraw after a case has been certified as ready for trial; and motions in
131 limine. A court may provide that other motions be considered by the judge.

132 **(n) Objection to court commissioner's recommendation.** A recommendation
133 of a court commissioner is the order of the court until modified by the court.
134 A party may object to the recommendation by filing an objection under Rule
135 108.

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Tab 8

To: Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Utah Rules of Civil Procedure
From: Tonya Wright
Date: January 24, 2022
Re: Proposed Rule 45 Amendments relating to Licensed Paralegal Practitioners (LPPs)

The proposed changes to U.R.C.P. 45 relating to LPPs are explained below.

It is true that U.R.C.P. 86(a) and (b) provides: “[L]icensed paralegal practitioners must be treated in the same manner as attorneys for purposes of interpreting and implementing these rules. **If a rule permits or requires an attorney to sign or file a document, a licensed paralegal practitioner may do so only if there is an applicable court-approved form available and the practice is consistent with the scope of the licensed paralegal practitioner’s license.**” and “(b) Terms “attorney” and “counsel.” Throughout these rules, **where the terms “attorney,” “lawyer,” and “counsel” are used, they refer to legal professionals. Legal professionals include licensed paralegal practitioners in the practice areas for which licensed paralegal practitioners are authorized to practice.** Those practice areas are set forth in Utah Special Practice Rule 14-802 unless specifically carved out in this rule.” (emphasis added)

However, there has been (and continues to be) confusion about Rule 45 and its wording. Specifically, the wording found in (2):

“The clerk shall issue a subpoena, signed but otherwise in blank, to a party requesting it, who shall complete it before service. **An attorney admitted to practice in Utah may issue and sign a subpoena as an officer of the court.**” (emphasis added)

Because the LPP licensed is a limited license, and because LPPs want to be careful and cognizant about what is permitted and what is not, it would be very helpful if Rule 45

were amended to incorporate Rule 86. It would also provide clarity to attorneys who may be on the opposite side of the case with an LPP and who might be inclined to argue about the validity of a subpoena issued by an LPP, because the LPP is currently omitted from the language in Rule 45. It would also be helpful to recipient(s) of the subpoena(s), because the required “Notice to Persons Served With Subpoena” would undergo a change as well.

Forms

Additionally, there is already a subpoena form available in the Court’s self-help section of the website. (linked here: https://www.utcourts.gov/resources/forms/subpoena/docs/1220GE_Subpoena.pdf - and attached to this memo)

Rule 14-802(c) of the Rules of Professional Conduct permits Licensed Paralegal Practitioners to engage in the limited practice of law in the areas outlined. 14-802(c)(1)(C) & (E) specifies that LPPs may complete forms approved by the Judicial Council and sign, file, and complete service of the form(s).

In the advisory committee notes for 14-802, regarding Paragraph (c)(1)(E), it states:

A Licensed Paralegal Practitioner may complete forms that are approved by the Judicial Council and that are related to the limited scope of practice of law described in paragraph (c). The Judicial Council approves forms for the Online Consumer Assistance Program and for use by the public. The forms approved by the Judicial Council may be found at <https://www.utcourts.gov/ocap> and <https://www.utcourts.gov/selfhelp/>.

I therefore respectfully request that Rule 45 be amended to provide clarity and to incorporate Rule 86.

Lastly, (and this is likely more appropriate for the forms committee), if Rule 45 is amended and these changes are incorporated, it would be helpful if a form like the one attached to this memo be incorporated in the approved forms for LPP use, so the LPP is able to comply with Rule 45(b)(3):

If the subpoena commands a person to copy and mail or deliver documents or electronically stored information, to produce documents, electronically stored information or tangible things for inspection, copying, testing or sampling or to permit inspection of premises, the party or attorney responsible for issuing the subpoena shall serve each party with the subpoena by delivery or other method of actual notice before serving the subpoena.

Rule 45. Subpoena.**(a) Form; issuance.**

(1) Every subpoena shall:

- (A) issue from the court in which the action is pending;
- (B) state the title and case number of the action, the name of the court from which it is issued, and the name and address of the party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner ~~party or attorney~~ responsible for issuing the subpoena;
- (C) command each person to whom it is directed
 - (i) to appear and give testimony at a trial, hearing or deposition, or
 - (ii) to appear and produce for inspection, copying, testing or sampling documents, electronically stored information or tangible things in the possession, custody or control of that person, or
 - (iii) to copy documents or electronically stored information in the possession, custody or control of that person and mail or deliver the copies to the party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner ~~party or attorney~~ responsible for issuing the subpoena before a date certain, or
 - (iv) to appear and to permit inspection of premises;
- (D) if an appearance is required, give notice of the date, time, and place for the appearance and, if remote transmission is requested, instructions for participation and whom to contact if there are technical difficulties; and
- (E) include a notice to persons served with a subpoena in a form substantially similar to the approved subpoena form. A subpoena may specify the form or forms in which electronically stored information is to be produced.

(2) The clerk shall issue a subpoena, signed but otherwise in blank, to a party requesting it, who shall complete it before service. An attorney or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner admitted to practice in Utah may issue and sign a subpoena as an officer of the court.

(b) Service; fees; prior notice.

- (1) A subpoena may be served by any person who is at least 18 years of age and not a party to the case. Service of a subpoena upon the person to whom it is directed shall be made as provided in Rule 4(d).
- (2) If the subpoena commands a person's appearance, the party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner ~~party or attorney~~ responsible for issuing the subpoena shall tender with the subpoena the fees for one day's attendance and the mileage allowed by law. When the subpoena is issued on behalf of the United States, or this state, or any officer or agency of either, fees and mileage need not be tendered.

(3) If the subpoena commands a person to copy and mail or deliver documents or electronically stored information, to produce documents, electronically stored information or tangible things for inspection, copying, testing or sampling or to permit inspection of premises, the party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner~~party or attorney~~ responsible for issuing the subpoena shall serve each party with the subpoena by delivery or other method of actual notice before serving the subpoena.

(c) Appearance; resident; non-resident.

(1) A person who resides in this state may be required to appear:

(A) at a trial or hearing in the county in which the case is pending; and

(B) at a deposition, or to produce documents, electronically stored information or tangible things, or to permit inspection of premises only in the county in which the person resides, is employed, or transacts business in person, or at such other place as the court may order.

(2) A person who does not reside in this state but who is served within this state may be required to appear:

(A) at a trial or hearing in the county in which the case is pending; and

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(d) Payment of production or copying costs. The party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner responsible for issuing the subpoena shall pay the reasonable cost of producing or copying documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things. Upon the request of any other party and the payment of reasonable costs, the party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner responsible for issuing the subpoena shall provide to the requesting party copies of all documents, electronically stored information or tangible things obtained in response to the subpoena or shall make the tangible things available for inspection.

(e) Protection of persons subject to subpoenas; objection.

(1) The party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner responsible for issuing a subpoena shall take reasonable steps to avoid imposing an undue burden or expense on the person subject to the subpoena. The court shall enforce this duty and impose upon the party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner in breach of this duty an appropriate sanction, which may include, but is not limited to, lost earnings and a reasonable attorney fee.

(2) A subpoena to copy and mail or deliver documents or electronically stored information, to produce documents, electronically stored information or tangible things, or to permit inspection of premises shall comply with Rule 34(a) and (b)(1), except that the person subject to the subpoena must be allowed at least 14 days after service to comply.

(3) The person subject to the subpoena or a non-party affected by the subpoena may object ~~under Rule 37~~ if the subpoena:

- (A) fails to allow reasonable time for compliance;
- (B) requires a resident of this state to appear at other than a trial or hearing in a county in which the person does not reside, is not employed, or does not transact business in person;
- (C) requires a non-resident of this state to appear at other than a trial or hearing in a county other than the county in which the person was served;
- (D) requires the person to disclose privileged or other protected matter and no exception or waiver applies;
- (E) requires the person to disclose a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information;
- (F) subjects the person to an undue burden or cost;
- (G) requires the person to produce electronically stored information in a form or forms to which the person objects;
- (H) requires the person to provide electronically stored information from sources that the person identifies as not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost; or
- (I) requires the person to disclose an unretained expert's opinion or information not describing specific events or occurrences in dispute and resulting from the expert's study that was not made at the request of a party.

(4) Timing and form of objections.

- (A) If the person subject to the subpoena or a non-party affected by the subpoena objects, the objection must be made before the date for compliance.
- (B) The objection shall be stated in a concise, non-conclusory manner.
- (C) If the objection is that the information commanded by the subpoena is privileged or protected and no exception or waiver applies, or requires the person to disclose a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information, the objection shall sufficiently describe the nature of the documents, communications, or things not produced to enable the party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner responsible for issuing the subpoena to contest the objection.
- (D) If the objection is that the electronically stored information is from sources that are not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost, the person from whom discovery is sought must show that the information sought is not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost.
- (E) The objection shall be served on the party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner responsible for issuing the subpoena. The party ~~or~~ attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner responsible for issuing the subpoena shall serve a copy of the objection on the other parties.

- (5) If objection is made, or if a party requests a protective order, the party ~~or~~ attorney, or

Licensed Paralegal Practitioner -responsible for issuing the subpoena is not entitled to compliance but may request an order to compel compliance under Rule 37(a). The objection or request shall be served on the other parties and on the person subject to the subpoena. An order compelling compliance shall protect the person subject to or affected by the subpoena from significant expense or harm. The court may quash or modify the subpoena. If the party-~~or~~-attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner -responsible for issuing the subpoena shows a substantial need for the information that cannot be met without undue hardship, the court may order compliance upon specified conditions.

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(1) A person commanded to copy and mail or deliver documents or electronically stored information or to produce documents, electronically stored information or tangible things shall serve on the party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner ~~party or attorney~~-responsible for issuing the subpoena a declaration under penalty of law stating in substance:

- (A) that the declarant has knowledge of the facts contained in the declaration;
- (B) that the documents, electronically stored information or tangible things copied or produced are a full and complete response to the subpoena;
- (C) that the documents, electronically stored information or tangible things are the originals or that a copy is a true copy of the original; and
- (D) the reasonable cost of copying or producing the documents, electronically stored information or tangible things.

(2) A person commanded to copy and mail or deliver documents or electronically stored information or to produce documents, electronically stored information or tangible things shall copy or produce them as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall organize and label them to correspond with the categories in the subpoena.

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(h) **Procedure when witness evades service or fails to attend.** If a witness evades service of a subpoena or fails to attend after service of a subpoena, the court may issue a warrant to the sheriff of the county to arrest the witness and bring the witness before the court.

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(j) **Subpoena unnecessary.** A person present in court or before a judicial officer may be required to testify in the same manner as if the person were in attendance upon a subpoena.

(k) Foreign subpoenas.

(1) "Foreign subpoena" means a subpoena issued under authority of a court of record of any State or Territory of the United States other than Utah.

(2) Issuance and service of a foreign subpoena. A party or attorney shall submit a foreign subpoena to a clerk of court in the county in which discovery is sought to be conducted in Utah in accordance with Utah Code Ann. § 78B-17-101 et seq.

(3) Enforcement and objections to a foreign subpoena. Objections to and enforcement of a foreign subpoena must comply with Rule 45(e). Any paper filed under Rule 37(a) shall be submitted to the Utah court that issued the subpoena.

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 Plaintiff/Petitioner's Licensed Paralegal Practitioner
 Defendant/Respondent's Licensed Paralegal Practitioner (Utah Bar #: _____)

In the District Justice Court of Utah

_____ Judicial District _____ County

Court Address _____

<p>_____ Plaintiff/Petitioner</p> <p>V.</p> <p>_____ Defendant/Respondent</p>	<p>Subpoena (Utah Rule of Civil Procedure 30 and 45)</p> <p>_____ Case Number</p> <p>_____ Judge</p> <p>_____ Commissioner</p>
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The following records and forms must be attached to this Subpoena and served with it.

- Notice to Persons Served with a Subpoena.
- Objection to Subpoena.
- Declaration of Compliance with Subpoena.
- Witness fee.
- Application for Subpoena under the Utah Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act with attachments (for cases from states in which the Uniform Act applies).
- Notice of Deposition and Request for Subpoena in Case Pending Out of State (for cases from states in which the Uniform Act does not apply).

Serve all of these documents by one of the methods described in Utah Rule of Civil Procedure 4(d).

To:

Name and Address

Name and Address

1. You must appear at:

Address (Dirección):

Date (Fecha): _____ Time (Hora): _____ a.m. p.m.

Room (Sala): _____

To: (Choose all that apply.)

testify at a trial or hearing.

Interpretation. If you do not speak or understand English, the court will provide an interpreter. Contact court staff immediately to ask for an interpreter.

Interpretación. Si usted no habla ni entiende el Inglés el tribunal le proveeré un intérprete. Contacte a un empleado del tribunal inmediatamente para pedir un intérprete.

ADA Accommodation. If you need an accommodation, including an ASL interpreter, contact court staff immediately to ask for an accommodation.

Adaptación o Arreglo en Caso de Discapacidad. Si usted requiere una adaptación o arreglo, que incluye un intérprete de la lengua de signos americana, contacte a un empleado del tribunal inmediatamente para pedir una adaptación.

testify at a deposition.

permit inspection of the following premises:

_____ (address)

produce the following documents or tangible things:

2. You must copy the documents or electronically stored information listed below. You must mail or deliver the copies to the person at the address at the top of the first page of this Subpoena by: _____ (date).

- 3. The Notice to Persons Served with a Subpoena must be served with this Subpoena. The notice explains your rights and obligations.
- 4. This subpoena is for a deposition and is being served on a corporation, partnership, association or governmental agency. (Utah Rule of Civil Procedure 30). You must designate one or more persons who will be questioned on your behalf .

The questions will be about (describe):

- 5. This Subpoena includes the terms of the attached subpoena issued by _____ (state).

If you are representing yourself or you checked paragraph 5, only the court clerk may sign this subpoena.

	Signature ►
Date	Printed name of: Court Clerk <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Attorney for Plaintiff/Petitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Defendant/Respondent <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Licensed Paralegal Practitioner for Plaintiff/Petitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Defendant/Respondent <input type="checkbox"/> _____

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE *** JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF ***, STATE OF UTAH

***,

Plaintiff,

v.

***,

Defendants.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO SERVE
SUBPOENAS DUCES TECUM**

Civil No. ***

Judge: ***

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to U.R.C.P. Rule 45(b)(3) that counsel for Plaintiff will issue the attached subpoenas duces tecum for the production of documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things for inspection, which may include, without limitation, the copying and inspection of documents.

The requested records/documents and inspection are related to an element of a claim or defense in the above-captioned lawsuit at issue.

Plaintiffs intend to serve a Subpoena *Duces Tecum* on each of the following:

1. ***
2. ***
3. ***

The requested records are to be delivered to the offices of _____ on the date and time set forth in each individual Subpoena *Duces Tecum*.

DATED this ____ day of November 2021.

/s/ _____

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 3rd day of November 2021, pursuant to Rule 5 of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **NOTICE OF INTENT TO SERVE SUBPOENAS DUCES TECUM** has been served upon all parties and/or attorneys with electronic filing accounts by submitting the same for electronic filing with the Court through Green Filing, LLC. Parties or attorneys without electronic filing accounts will be served with a true and correct copy of the foregoing by email or by mailing via the United States Postal Service, postage pre-paid, at the addresses listed below:

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Rule 45. Subpoena.

(a) Form; issuance.

(1) Every subpoena shall:

(A) issue from the court in which the action is pending;

(B) state the title and case number of the action, the name of the court from which it is issued, and the name and address of the [party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner](#) ~~party or attorney~~ responsible for issuing the subpoena;

(C) command each person to whom it is directed

(i) to appear and give testimony at a trial, hearing or deposition, or

(ii) to appear and produce for inspection, copying, testing or sampling documents, electronically stored information or tangible things in the possession, custody or control of that person, or

(iii) to copy documents or electronically stored information in the possession, custody or control of that person and mail or deliver the copies to the [party, attorney, or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner](#) ~~party or attorney~~ responsible for issuing the subpoena before a date certain, or

(iv) to appear and to permit inspection of premises;

(D) if an appearance is required, give notice of the date, time, and place for the appearance and, if remote transmission is requested, instructions for participation and whom to contact if there are technical difficulties; and

(E) include a notice to persons served with a subpoena in a form substantially similar to the approved subpoena form. A subpoena may specify the form or forms in which electronically stored information is to be produced.

(2) The clerk shall issue a subpoena, signed but otherwise in blank, to a party requesting it, who shall complete it before service. An attorney [or Licensed Paralegal Practitioner](#) admitted to practice in Utah may issue and sign a subpoena as an officer of the court.

(b) Service; fees; prior notice.

32 (1) A subpoena may be served by any person who is at least 18 years of age
33 and not a party to the case. Service of a subpoena upon the person to whom it
34 is directed shall be made as provided in Rule 4(d).

35 (2) If the subpoena commands a person's appearance, the [party, attorney, or](#)
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37 subpoena shall tender with the subpoena the fees for one day's attendance and
38 the mileage allowed by law. When the subpoena is issued on behalf of the
39 United States, or this state, or any officer or agency of either, fees and mileage
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47 notice before serving the subpoena.

48 **(c) Appearance; resident; non-resident.**

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52 information or tangible things, or to permit inspection of premises only
53 in the county in which the person resides, is employed, or transacts
54 business in person, or at such other place as the court may order.

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Civil No. ***

Judge: ***

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Plaintiffs intend to serve a Subpoena *Duces Tecum* on each of the following:

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The requested records are to be delivered to the offices of Shaun L Peck, Peck Hadfield Baxter & Moore, LLC, 399 N. Main Street, Ste 300, Logan, UT 84321 on the date and time set forth in each individual Subpoena *Duces Tecum*.

DATED this ____ day of November 2021.

/s/ _____

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 3rd day of November 2021, pursuant to Rule 5 of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **NOTICE OF INTENT TO SERVE SUBPOENAS DUCES TECUM** has been served upon all parties and/or attorneys with electronic filing accounts by submitting the same for electronic filing with the Court through Green Filing, LLC. Parties or attorneys without electronic filing accounts will be served with a true and correct copy of the foregoing by email or by mailing via the United States Postal Service, postage pre-paid, at the addresses listed below:

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/s/ Tonya R. Wright
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