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UTAH COURT OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF POLICY CHANGE
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The court of appeals is instituting a new policy in an effort to streamline the briefing process in criminal appeals and reduce the resources spent by both the parties and the court in handling multiple requests for extensions for briefing. Rule 26, which sets out the briefing schedule, is suspended under the new policy for appeals in criminal cases. The briefing schedule will be set by a briefing order issued after the record on appeal is filed. Both parties will have 90 days to file their principal briefs. Reply briefs will be due in 45 days. Because of the extended briefing period, equivalent to three extensions, no extensions will be granted for any reason.

Motions of whatever sort will not stay the briefing schedule, even pending the resolution of the motion. This includes motions to supplement the record. Motions to supplement the record must be filed within the first 30 days of a party's briefing period. This is intended to assure a complete record in a timely fashion for the purpose of completing briefing. Additionally, if the motion to supplement is not a stipulated motion, the moving party must certify that an attempt was made to resolve the record issue before the motion was filed.