

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
DISTRICT OF VERMONT**

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In re:

**MODIFICATION OF  
LOCAL RULES OF PRACTICE AND  
PROCEDURE IN BANKRUPTCY COURT,  
DISTRICT OF VERMONT**

**STANDING ORDER # 16-04**

**TO REVISE LOCAL RULE 9070-1(A)  
TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS PRESENTING  
ELECTRONIC EXHIBITS TO BRING  
THEIR OWN LAPTOP COMPUTERS**

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Local Rule 9070-1(a) provides that an attorney may present trial and hearing exhibits in portable document (PDF) format on a CD. In order to facilitate the process for presentation of electronic exhibits and ensure the hearing runs smoothly, attorneys who wish to utilize this technology should bring their own laptop computers to connect to the Court's evidence presentation system.

To implement this change, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, effective immediately, Vermont Local Bankruptcy Rule 9070-1(a) is revised to read:

- (a) **Marking of Exhibits.** In an adversary proceeding or a contested matter, counsel (or *pro se* parties) must mark all trial and hearing exhibits prior to the time set for commencement of the trial or hearing. If more than 10 exhibits are to be introduced (1) each exhibit must be labeled, tabbed, and placed in a three-ring binder or submitted in PDF format on a CD; and (2) an index to all exhibits must be produced. Unless impracticable and waived by the Court, all documentary exhibits must be prepared in a quantity sufficient to provide copies to the Court, each opposing counsel, the examining attorney, and the witness. Counsel who choose to present exhibits in PDF format on a CD must bring a laptop to connect to the Court's evidence presentation system and appear 30 minutes before the hearing begins to ensure the laptop is compatible with the Court's system.

SO ORDERED.

October 31, 2016  
Burlington, Vermont

  
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Colleen A. Brown  
United States Bankruptcy Judge