

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas

LOCAL RULE 2090-1

Attorneys

- (a) Bar of the Court. The Bar of the Arkansas Bankruptcy Court shall consist of those persons admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas.
- (b) Eligibility.
 - (1) All persons who are on the roll of attorneys for either district of Arkansas upon the effective date of these Rules shall continue to be enrolled.
 - (2) Any person is eligible for enrollment who is licensed to practice in the State of his or her residence, and, in the case of a nonresident of Arkansas, who has previously been authorized to practice in any United States District Court.
 - (3) An attorney who is enrolled in the United States District Court for either district of Arkansas is automatically enrolled in the other district and is automatically enrolled in both districts of the Bankruptcy Court for the state.
- (c) Procedure for Admission.
 - (1) Each applicant for admission to the Bar of this Court shall file with the Clerk of the District Court, rather than the Bankruptcy Clerk, a written petition setting forth residence and office address and telephone numbers, legal education, any criminal record other than traffic offenses the applicant may have, and the courts to which applicant has been admitted to practice. The petition shall be accompanied by a current certificate of good standing from the clerk of the highest court in the state of applicant's residence.
 - (2) The District Court Clerk shall examine the petition and accompanying certificates and, if these comply with this Rule, the petition shall be presented to a judge of these courts who shall determine its sufficiency. If approved, the applicant shall make suitable arrangements thereafter with the Clerk for applicant's appearance and admission.
- (d) Special or Limited Appearance. Any attorney who is a member in good standing of the Bar of any United States District Court, or of the highest court of any state or territory or insular possession of the United States, but is not admitted to practice in the District Courts in Arkansas, may, upon oral or written application, be permitted to appear and participate in a particular case. The application shall designate a member of the Bar of these Courts who maintains an office in Arkansas for the practice of law with whom the Bankruptcy Court and opposing counsel may readily communicate regarding the conduct of the case. There shall also be filed with such application the address and telephone number of the named designee.

Provided, however, that upon written motion and for good cause shown the Court may waive or modify the requirements of this designation. Pleadings tendered to the Bankruptcy Court Clerk for filing by an attorney who is not admitted to practice shall be accepted and filed by the Clerk, and the Clerk shall call this Rule to the attention of the attorney. After the Rule has been called to the attention of the attorney and a period of thirty days has elapsed, any additional pleadings tendered by the attorney shall not be accepted and filed by the Clerk until the requirement of this Rule is met. This Rule shall not apply to any attorney for the United States appearing in his or her official capacity, or to an attorney in the Western District residing in Texarkana, Texas.

- (e) Disbarment and Discipline. All persons enrolled as attorneys in either of these Courts shall be subject to the Uniform Federal Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement, which are hereby adopted.
- (f) Withdrawal. No attorney shall withdraw his or her appearance in any action or proceeding except by leave of Court after reasonable notice has been given to the affected client and opposing counsel.

(adopted 8/1/85)