

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT**

**NOTICE REGARDING LOCAL RULES**

- (1) Proposed revisions to the following Local Rule has been posted on the USDC website:

**Local Civil Rule 83.1(c) – Admission of Attorneys**

- (2) The proposed new Local Rule is posted on the USDC website:

**Local Civil Rule 23 – Class Action – Disposition of Residual Funds**

The Rules can be reviewed in their entirety at:

[www.ctd.uscourts.gov](http://www.ctd.uscourts.gov)

Comments from members of the Bar are welcomed by the Court and should be directed to:

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To be considered, comments must be received by August 4, 2014.

## RULE 83.1

### ADMISSION OF ATTORNEYS

#### (c) Local Office

(1) Unless otherwise ordered by the Court for good cause shown, no visiting lawyer admitted specially under Rule 83.1(d) not having an office for the transaction of business in person within the District of Connecticut shall appear as attorney of record in any cause without specifying on the record a member of the bar of this Court having an office within the District of Connecticut, upon whom service of all papers shall also be made. Because the use of local counsel often enhances cooperation between counsel and thereby reduces overall litigation expense to the parties, and otherwise facilitates the business of the Court, the showing of good cause is not satisfied merely by a statement that the use of local counsel will impose additional expense on the parties. All communications sent by the Court to the local office so designated shall have the same force and effect as if said communications were sent to the out of state office of a visiting lawyer who has been admitted pursuant to Rule 83.1(d), even where the sponsoring lawyer has been excused from attendance in Court pursuant to Rule 83.1(d)(2) of these Local Rules of Civil Procedure.

## RULE 23

### Class Action - Disposition of Residual Funds

(a) "Residual Funds" are funds that remain after the payment of approved class member claims, expenses, litigation costs, attorney's fees, and other court-approved disbursements made to implement the relief granted. Nothing in this rule is intended to limit the parties to a class action from recommending, or the trial court from approving, a settlement that does not create residual funds.

(b) Any order, judgment or approved settlement in a class action that establishes a process for identifying and compensating members of the class may designate the recipient(s) of any such residual funds that may remain after the claims payment process has been completed. In the absence of such designation, the residual funds shall be disbursed to the organization administering the program for the use of interest on lawyers' client funds pursuant to § 51-81c of the General Statutes for the purpose of supporting its activities including, but not limited to, the funding of those organizations that provide legal services for the poor in Connecticut.