

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**ORDER AMENDING LOCAL RULES**

Appropriate public notice and an opportunity to comment having been given pursuant to Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and, pursuant to the majority vote of the active judges of this court, **IT IS ORDERED** that the Local Rules for the United States District Court, Western District of Louisiana, are amended as follows:

**LR5.6 Corporate Disclosure**

Any non-governmental corporate party to an action in this court shall file a statement identifying all its parent corporations and any publicly traded company that owns 10 percent or more of the party's stock, unless such filing is waived by the presiding judge. A party shall file the statement as soon as practicable and in no event later than the preliminary conference or the scheduled hearing date for any dispositive motion, whichever is earlier. A party shall supplement the statement within a reasonable time of any relevant change in the information. Nothing herein is intended to require the disclosure of confidential information except *in camera* to the judge.

**LR41.3 Dismissal for Failure to Prosecute**

A civil action may be dismissed by the clerk of court or any judge of this court for lack of prosecution as follows:

- A. Where no service of process has been made within 90 days after filing of the complaint;
- B. Where no responsive pleadings have been filed or default has been entered within 60 days after service of process; or
- C. Where a cause has been pending six months without proceedings being taken within such period. This provision shall not apply if the cause is awaiting action by the court.

Prior to issuance of a dismissal, notice shall be sent to the plaintiff, and plaintiff shall be allowed 14 calendar days from mailing of the notice within which to file evidence of good cause for plaintiff's failure to act. If no response is received within the allotted time, the clerk may dismiss the civil action. If a timely response is filed, a district judge or magistrate judge may order additional time within which to take action, dismiss the civil action without prejudice or make any other appropriate order.

Dismissal under this rule shall be without prejudice unless delay has resulted in prejudice to an opposing party. The Order of Dismissal shall allow for reinstatement of the civil action within 30 days for good cause shown.

The failure of an attorney or pro se litigant to promptly notify the court in writing of an address change may be considered cause for dismissal for failure to prosecute when a notice is returned to the court for the reason of an incorrect address and no correction is made to the address for a period of 30 days.

Alexandria, Louisiana, this <sup>TE</sup> 26 day of MAY, 2016.



**DEE D. DRELL, CHIEF JUDGE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**