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STANDARDS FOR PUBLICATION OF OPINIONS

Rule 21

Rules of the Arkansas Supreme Court and Court of Appeals

OPINIONS

- 1. All signed opinions of the Supreme Court shall be designated for publication.
- 2. Opinions of the Court of Appeals may be in conventional form or in memorandum form. They shall be filed with the Clerk. The opinions need not contain a detailed statement of the facts, but may set forth only such matters as may be necessary to an understandable discussion of the errors urged. In appeals from decisions of the Arkansas Board of Review in unemployment compensation cases when the Court finds the decision appealed from is supported by substantial evidence, that there is an absence of fraud, no error of law appears in the record and an opinion would have no precedential value, the order may be affirmed without opinion.
- 3. Opinions of the Court of Appeals which resolve novel or unusual questions will be released for publication when the opinions are announced and filed with the Clerk. The Court of Appeals may consider the question of whether to publish an opinion at its decision-making conference and at that time, if appropriate, make a tentative decision not to publish. Concurring and dissenting opinions will be published only if the majority opinion is published. All opinions that are not to be published shall be marked, Not Designated For Publication.
- 4. Opinions of the Court of Appeals not designated for publication shall not be published in the official reports and shall not be cited, quoted, or referred to by any court or in any argument, brief, or other materials presented to any court (except in continuing or related litigation upon an issue such as res judicata, collateral estoppel, or law of the case). Opinions not designated for publication shall be listed in the Arkansas Reports by case number, style, date, and disposition.

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5. Copies of All Opinions Available. — In every case the Clerk will furnish without charge one typewritten copy of all of either court's published or unpublished opinions in the case to counsel for every party on whose behalf a separate brief was filed. The charge for additional copies is fixed by statute.

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Abdullah v. State, CR 85-65 (Per Curiam), Pro Se Motion for Transcript at Public Expense denied May 6, 1985.

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Birts v. State, CR 85-90 (Per Curiam), Pro Se Rule 37 denied June 17, 1985.

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Putillo v. State, CR 84-140 (Per Curiam), affirmed May 28,

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APPENDIX Rules Adopted and/or Amended by Per Curiam Orders

IN RE: AMENDMENT OF RULE 5 OF THE RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

690 S.W.2d 349

Supreme Court of Arkansas May 20, 1985

PER CURIAM. The next to the last sentence of Rule 5(b) of the Rules of Appellate Procedure is amended to read as follows, effective today:

In no event shall the time be extended more than seven (7) months from the date of the entry of the judgment, decree or order, or from the date on which a timely postjudgment motion under Rule 4(b) is deemed to have been disposed of under Rule 4(c), whichever is later.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT OF THE ARKANSAS RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE AND THE ARKANSAS RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

692 S.W.2d 231

Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered June 24, 1985

PER CURIAM. The first paragraph of Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure 5(a) is amended effective September 1, 1985, to read as follows:

Rule 5, Ark. R. Civ. P.

SERVICE AND FILINGS OF PLEADINGS AND OTHER PAPERS

(a) Service: When Required. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, every pleading and every other paper, including all written communications with the court, filed subsequent to the complaint, except one which may be heard ex parte, shall be served upon each of the parties, unless the court orders otherwise because of numerous parties. No service need be made upon parties in

default for failure to appear, except that pleadings asserting new or additional claims for relief against them shall be served in the manner provided for service of summons in Rule 4. [Added portion italicized.]

Additions to Reporter's Note, 1985 Amendment: The first sentence of Rule 5(a) is amended to make plain that all correspondence between counsel and the court is to be served upon all parties. As the Reporter's Note to the original version of this rule indicates, the phrase "every other paper" is to be given an expansive reading and includes "all pleadings, papers and other documents generated in the lawsuit. . . "Without intending to limit the breadth of the term, this amendment simply specifies by way of illustration a "paper" falling within the rule. Thus, the amended rule requires, for example, service of a precedent for judgment prepared at the court's request. Compare Karam v. Halk, 260 Ark. 3, 537 S.W.2d 797 (1976).

The following additions to the reporter's notes are adopted for publication with the changes in Ark. R. App. P. 2(a) and Ark. R. App. P. 5(b) effected, respectively, by our *per curiam* orders of March 18, and May 20, 1985:

Rule 2(a), Ark. R. App. P.

Additions to Reporter's Notes, 1985 Amendment: Subsection (9) is added to Rule 2(a) to permit appeal to the Supreme Court of an order certifying a case as a class action under Rule 23, Ark. R. Civ. P. See Ford Motor Credit Co. v. Nesheim, 285 Ark. 253, 686 S.W.2d 777 (1985). The Supreme Court has previously held that an order denying class certification is appealable under Rule 2. Drew v. First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n, 271 Ark. 667, 610 S.W.2d 876 (1981). In contrast, neither type of order is immediately appealable in the federal courts. See Coopers & Lybrand v. Livesay, 437 U.S. 463 (1978); Gardner v. Westinghouse Broadcasting Co., 437 U.S. 478 (1978).

Rule 5(b), Ark. R. App. P.

Additions to Reporter's Notes, 1985 Amendment: The next to last sentence of Rule 5(b) is amended to eliminate confusion that had existed regarding the interplay between Rule 4, which governs the filing of the notice of appeal, and Rule 5, which governs the time for filing the record with the clerk of the Supreme Court. As amended, Rule 5(b) provides that the time for filing the record may not be extended more than seven months from either (1) the date of entry of judgment or order, or (2) the date on which a timely post judgment motion under Rule 4(b) has been deemed disposed of under Rule 4(c), whichever is later. See Pentron Corp. v. Delta Steel & Constr. Co., 286 Ark. 91, 689 S.W.2d 539 (1985).

GEORGE ROSE SMITH, Justice, not participating.

IN THE MATTER OF LOCAL COURT RULES

692 S.W.2d 232

Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered June 24, 1985

PER CURIAM. The Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure has for some time been considering problems associated with local court rules. Their study has been concerned specifically with conflicts between local court rules and the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure and unnecessary local rules as well as practical means of providing notice of local rules to counsel.

By a per curiam order of February 29, 1984, we invited comments on our committee's proposal to abolish all local rules. By a per curiam order of December 3, 1984, we asked the committee to study certain specific questions. The result of the latter order is a thorough report showing instances of conflicts between local rules and the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

The recommendations of our committee are as follows:

1. The Arkansas Supreme Court be requested to issue a

per curiam that would require the judges of the judicial districts within a specified time to review all local rules of that district for the purpose of identifying and removing such rules as are inconsistent with, contrary to or that parallel the Uniform Rules of Circuit and Chancery Courts or the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure, and those not otherwise necessary to the efficient administration of that court.

- 2. The guidelines for such a review should include:
 - (a) In those districts with more than one judge, or division, the review should be a joint effort.
 - (b) In determining whether there is a conflict with or a direct contravention of a Uniform Rule or a Rule of Civil Procedure, the intent and spirit of those rules should be controlling. For instance, a rule may permit the trial court to shorten time to answer interrogatories or request for admissions. This should be adjudicated on a case-by-case basis. A local rule should not be a substitute for an adjudication as these problems arise.
 - (c) Each trial judge should evaluate those rules dealing with decorum and administration by asking the question: "Is this rule indispensible, or can I do without the rule?"
- 3. The revised local rules of each district should be submitted to the Supreme Court. The court's Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure would be available to make a review and submit recommendations. The committee should be aware that local rules can be an indicator for modifications needed in a Uniform Rule or a Rule of Civil Procedure.
- 4. The members of the special study committee should present the results of this study and the recommendations to the Arkansas Judicial Council on May 25, 1985. The presentation will be an opportunity for the special study committee to give members of the bench the benefit of this study and the practical solution that is being offered.

These recommendations were endorsed by the Arkansas Judicial Council in its May 25, 1985, meeting.

We adopt the committee's recommendations and order that each circuit, chancery and probate judge comply with them and submit the required revised local rules to this court by February 1, 1986.

GEORGE ROSE SMITH, Justice, not participating.

IN THE MATTER OF RULES GOVERNING ADMISSION TO THE BAR

692 S.W.2d 233

Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered July 1, 1985

PER CURIAM. The Supreme Court of the United States has held that a residency requirement for the taking of a bar examination contravenes the Privileges and Immunities Clause of the Constitution. New Hampshire v. Piper, 105 S.Ct. 1272 (1985). Similarly, federal district courts are now holding that a residency requirement for reciprocity contravenes the Privileges and Immunities Clause. See, e.g. Stanley v. Missouri Board of Law Examiners, 83-4434-CU-C-5, W. Dist. Mo., Central Div., (May 3, 1985). Accordingly, we modify our rule governing admission to the bar to eliminate the residency requirement for the taking of the bar examination, and we eliminate the rule on reciprocity.

Effective the date this opinion is published, Rule III of the Rules Governing Admission to the Bar, Ark. Stat. Ann. Vol. 3A, is amended to eliminate the residency requirement and shall provide:

Rule III

DUTIES OF THE BOARD

The Board shall provide questions to be used on examinations, and shall furnish to each applicant a set of such questions, on the day of examination.

The Board shall grade the examination papers and as

a Board ascertain the average grade of each applicant.

The names and addresses of applicants making an average grade of 75 percent on all subjects, and who shall have been found to be of good moral character, shall be certified to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, with a recommendation that they be licensed as attorneys-at-law and solicitors in chancery.

Effective the date this opinion is published, Rule XI of the Rules Governing Admission to the Bar is eliminated, and we no longer authorize admission by reciprocity.

GEORGE ROSE SMITH, J., not participating.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ARKANSAS BAR ASSOCIATION: PETITION FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW SUPREME COURT RULES ON PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

83-187

Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered May 6, 1985

PER CURIAM. The Arkansas Bar Association has petitioned for the adoption of Model Rules of Professional Conduct by attorneys. In similar matters we have allowed time for interested parties to study the proposed changes and, if they deem it appropriate, to file objections thereto. We will take no further action on the petition until after August 1, 1985, to allow time for any responses to be filed.

Appointments to Committees

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON THE UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

689 S.W.2d 353

Supreme Court of Arkansas May 20, 1985

PER CURIAM. The Honorable John R. Graves, Hope, Arkansas, Fourth Congressional District, is hereby appointed to our Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law, replacing the Honorable Leroy Autrey, Texarkana, Arkansas.

The court expresses its gratitude to the Honorable Leroy Autrey, for his faithful service as a member of this committee.

IN RE: ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT BOARD OF CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER EXAMINERS

690 S.W.2d 1

Supreme Court of Arkansas May 20, 1985

PER CURIAM. The Honorable Darrell Hickman, Justice, Arkansas Supreme Court, is hereby appointed to the Arkansas Supreme Court Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners, replacing the Honorable George Cracraft, Chief Judge, Arkansas Court of Appeals.

The court expresses its gratitude to the Honorable George Cracraft for his faithful service as a member of this Board.

IN RE: ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT BOARD OF CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER EXAMINERS

Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered July 8, 1985.

PER CURIAM. The following persons are reappointed to the Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners for the terms

indicated to run from July 8, 1985.

Gayle Ford, Circuit/Chancery Judge, three years. Walter Wright, Circuit Judge, three years. Charles Eddy, Circuit Judge, two years. Allen Hill, Searcy, three years. Joan Porter, Fayetteville, two years.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PLEADING, PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered July 1, 1985

PER CURIAM. Chancellor Jim Gunter of the Eighth Judicial District is appointed to membership on the Committee vice Chancellor Alex Sanderson.

We thank Chancellor Sanderson for his many years of faithful service on the Committee and for the substantial contribution he made to its work.

Justice George Rose Smith not participating.

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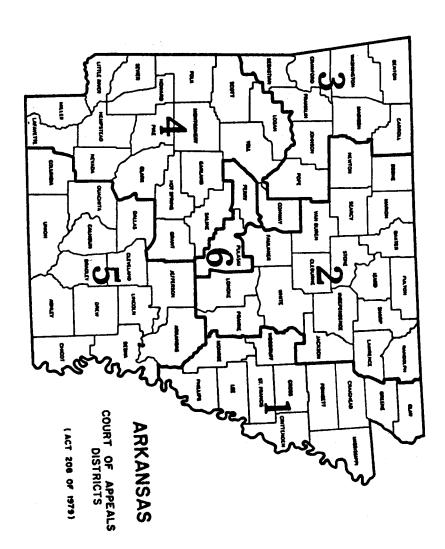
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- 1. All signed opinions of the Supreme Court shall be designated for publication.
- 2. Opinions of the Court of Appeals may be in conventional form or in memorandum form. They shall be filed with the Clerk. The opinions need not contain a detailed statement of the facts, but may set forth only such matters as may be necessary to an understandable discussion of the errors urged. In appeals from decisions of the Arkansas Board of Review in unemployment compensation cases when the Court finds the decision appealed from is supported by substantial evidence, that there is an absence of fraud, no error of law appears in the record and an opinion would have no precedential value, the order may be affirmed without opinion.
- 3. Opinions of the Court of Appeals which resolve novel or unusual questions will be released for publication when the opinions are announced and filed with the Clerk. The Court of Appeals may consider the question of whether to publish an opinion at its decision-making conference and at that time, if appropriate, make a tentative decision not to publish. Concurring and dissenting opinions will be published only if the majority opinion is published. All opinions that are not to be published shall be marked, Not Designated For Publication.
- 4. Opinions of the Court of Appeals not designated for publication shall not be published in the official reports and shall not be cited, quoted, or referred to by any court or in any argument, brief, or other materials presented to any court (except in continuing or related litigation upon an issue such as res judicata, collateral estoppel, or law of the case). Opinions not designated for publication shall be listed in the Arkansas Reports by case number, style, date, and disposition.

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