Rule 83. Directives by Judge or Magistrate Judge

A judge or magistrate judge may regulate practice in any manner consistent with applicable law, these rules, and administrative orders. No sanction or other disadvantage may be imposed for noncompliance with any requirement not in applicable law or these rules unless the alleged violator has been furnished in the particular case with actual notice of the requirement.

COMMENT TO 2017 AMENDMENTS

This rule has been amended consistent with the 2007 stylistic changes to *Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 83*. However, it retains the following local distinctions: 1) section (a) of the federal rule has been omitted; and 2) references to federal law and local rules have been replaced by references to applicable law, these rules, and/or administrative orders.

COMMENT

This Rule is substantially similar to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 83(b). Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 83(a), which addresses the promulgation, amendment, and enforcement of local rules by district courts, has been deleted. Substituted therefor is Rule 83-I which prescribes the rulemaking procedure for subsequent rules in accordance with D.C. Code § 11-946.