



# MEMORANDUM

**To:** Attorneys  
**From:** Kyle George, Clerk of Court  
**Subject:** Proposed Local Rule Change Out For Comment

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June 13, 2014

1. One change to our local rules is being proposed:

a. It was brought to my attention that our Local Rule 2002-1(g) does not distinguish between what is considered an expedited hearing and a request for shortened time. To harmonize Clerk's Office internal procedures with bar practice regarding expedited requests, we propose to add language to the rule clarifying the issue.

b. Local Rule 2002-1(g) would then be modified, adding the phrase in red:

**LBR 2002-1(g) Notice to Creditors and Other Parties in Interest**

(a) – (f) (omitted for this memorandum only)

(g) When a party files a pleading and seeks to expedite its consideration by the court **within ten or fewer days**, a separate motion for an expedited hearing shall be filed contemporaneously with the affected pleading. The motion shall contain sufficient information on its face to permit the court to determine the necessity for expedited treatment. All motions to expedite shall have a separate certification regarding the request for emergency hearing and a proposed order sent to the court's electronic case filing system. The certificate shall substantially comply with the form certificate found in the Clerk's Instructions.

2. The opinions expressed by attorneys practicing in the Middle District of Georgia are greatly appreciated and are given serious consideration by the Court prior to the final adoption of any

local rules. Therefore, your assistance in providing feedback to the Court regarding these changes is extremely valuable and we appreciate you taking the time to review these changes and forwarding any comments to me. Comments need to be in writing and can be mailed or preferably e-mailed to me. Please provide comments no later than July 16, 2014. My e-mail address is [kyle\\_george@gamb.uscourts.gov](mailto:kyle_george@gamb.uscourts.gov).