FILED IN THE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

FEB 19 1982

BRUCE RIFKIN, Clerk
By_____ Deputy

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL CIVIL RULES (CRs")	GENERAL ORDER

The local Civil Rules ("CRs") of this Court are hereby amended as follows:

(1) Rule CR 41(b) is amended to read as follows:

CR 41

DISMISSAL OF ACTIONS

(b) Involuntary Dismissal: Effect Thereof

(1) All cases that have been pending in this Court for more than one year without any proceeding of record having been taken may be dismissed by the Court on its own motion for lack of prosecution.

(2) A party proceeding pro se shall keep the Court and opposing parties advised as to his current address. If mail directed to a pro se plaintiff by the Clerk is returned by the Post Office, and if such plaintiff fails to notify the Court and opposing parties within 60 days thereafter of his current address, the Court may dismiss the action without prejudice for failure to prosecute.

(2) Rule CR 103(a) is amended to read as follows:

CR 103(a)

PRISONER COMPLAINTS UNDER
CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 42 U.S.C. §1983

(a) Form of Complaint

Complaints filed pursuant to the Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. §1983 by or on behalf of prisoners, shall be typewritten or legibly handwritten, and signed by each plaintiff. Such complaints shall be on the forms supplied by the Court unless the district judge or magistrate, upon finding that the complaint is understandable and that it conforms with the local rules and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, in his or her discretion, accepts for filing a complaint that is not submitted on the appropriate forms.

These amendments shall be effective immediately upon the filing of this Order.

DATED this 16th day of February, 1982.

Walter T. McGovern
Chief United States District Judge

Harold S. Tanner
United States District Judge

[illegible]
United States District Judge

Barbara J. Rothstein
United States District Judge

[illegible]
United States District Judge