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2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
3 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
4 AT SEATTLE  
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6 IN RE:

7 ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS ) GENERAL ORDER NO. 09-02  
8 LOCAL CIVIL, CRIMINAL, MAGISTRATE, )  
9 PATENT, SUPPLEMENTAL ADMIRALTY )  
10 RULES AND GENERAL RULE 2 )  
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12 Pursuant to 28 USC § 2071 and to Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil  
13 procedure (“Fed. R. Civ. P.”), it is hereby ORDERED that this district’s local rules are  
14 amended as set forth in the attachments to this Order.  
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16 The amendments will become effective as of 12:01 a.m. on December 1, 2009.  
17 The amendments are required in light of amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil and  
18 Criminal Procedure, which take effect on that day. The federal and local rules as  
19 amended will apply to all cases then pending and to cases filed or removed thereafter.

20 Although parties must comply with all of the rules, they should pay particular  
21 attention to the amendments in Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a), Fed. R. Crim. P. 45(a), and Local  
22 Civil Rule 7.

23 Because the amendments alter the time computation rules and some deadlines, this  
24 order addresses the applicability of the changes to motions and deadlines pending as of  
25 December 1, 2009. The amendments do not alter any court-imposed deadline that sets a  
26 date certain. Nor do the amendments affect motions that are filed before December 1,

1 2009. If a party files a motion prior to December 1, 2009 and notes it for a date after  
2 December 1, the noting date remains the same. The deadlines for any response and reply  
3 to motions are governed by the rules in effect when the motion was filed. For all other  
4 deadlines pending as of December 1, 2009, such as a deadline to answer a complaint, the  
5 amended rules will apply unless their application would not be feasible or practicable, or  
6 unless their application would work an injustice.

7 Pursuant to this Order, the following motions may be noted for consideration no  
8 earlier than the second Friday after filing and service of the motion;

9 (A) motions for relief from a deadline;

10 (B) motions for protective orders; and

11 (C) motions to seal (see CR 5(g)).

12 For any of these motions, the moving party shall ensure that the motion papers are  
13 received by the opposing party on or before the filing date. Any papers opposing these  
14 motions shall be filed and received by the moving party no later than the Wednesday  
15 before the noting date. Any reply papers shall be filed, and shall be received by the  
16 opposing party, no later than the noting date. Method of service is governed by  
17 electronic filing procedures. All motions filed in a case in which a party is under civil or  
18 criminal confinement shall be subject to the briefing schedule under Local Civil Rule  
19 7(d)(1) or 7(d)(3) and not subject to this Order.

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21 Dated this 23rd day of November, 2009.

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24 ROBERT S. LASNIK  
25 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

26 GENERAL ORDER 09-02