

**United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
Rules of Practice**

Rule 47.3

(c) Appearance; Contents; Service of Papers Before Appearance; Withdrawal of Counsel.

(1) Appearance. Each attorney who intends to participate in an appeal must file, within 14 days of docketing, an entry of appearance on the form provided by the clerk. A pro se party must also file an entry of appearance unless all the necessary information appears on the petition for review or notice of appeal. Any attorney retained for the case later must file an entry of appearance within 14 days after being retained. An attorney representing a party seeking or permitted to intervene, and for each amicus curiae, must file an entry of appearance with the motion for leave to intervene (if required) or with the brief amicus curiae. ~~If an attorney's entry of appearance is first submitted within 30 days of the scheduled argument, then the attorney must file a motion for leave to file the entry of appearance. The motion for leave will be transmitted to the merits panel assigned to the case.~~ **If an attorney's entry of appearance is first submitted after a case is assigned to a merits panel, the appearance will be treated as a motion to appear and will be transmitted to the panel, which may choose to reject the entry of appearance.**

Practice Notes

POST-PANELING ENTRY OF APPEARANCE. When an entry of appearance (EOA) is filed after the case has been assigned to a merits panel, counsel will be notified by an event in CM/ECF that the EOA has been transmitted to the merits panel as a motion. Disposition by the panel, accepting or rejecting the EOA, will likewise be provided to counsel in an electronic order entry in CM/ECF.