



**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT**
717 MADISON PLACE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20439

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
FEDERAL CIRCUIT RULES OF PRACTICE**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071(b) and Federal Circuit Rule 47(a), the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit gives notice that it proposes to amend Federal Circuit Rule of Practice 32 and the Practice Note to Rule 32. The proposed amendments are available on the court's [website](#). If adopted, the amendments would take effect on December 1, 2026.

Public comments must be received by the Clerk of Court **on or before August 17, 2026**.

Comments may be submitted by email to FederalCircuitRules@cafc.uscourts.gov or by mail as follows:

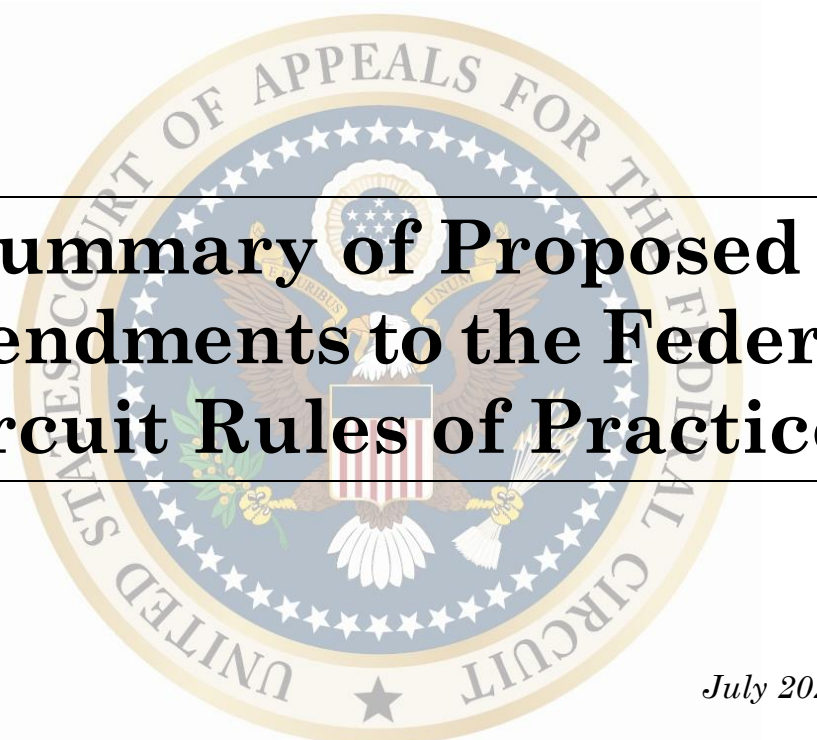
Proposed Rules Comments 2026
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All submitted comments must include the name and either a return email or mailing address for the submitter. Any submitted comments, including the name of the submitter, may be made available to the public unless a submitter specifically requests that either the submitter's name or comment not be released to the public.

FOR THE COURT



Jarrett B. Perlow
Clerk of Court



Summary of Proposed Amendments to the Federal Circuit Rules of Practice

July 2026

The following summary was prepared by the Clerk's Office as a guide to the proposed amendments and should not substitute for reading the full text of the proposed amendments, which are available on the court's website in the two following formats.

[Redlined Copy of the Proposed Amendments](#)

[Clean Copy of the Proposed Amendments](#)

This summary is neither intended to serve as legal advice nor as commentary on the changes to the Federal Circuit Rules of Practice.

The court is proposing amendments to the following Federal Circuit Rules of Practice (FCR).

1. **Fed. Cir. R. 32(j):** Adds a restriction on the use of *passim* or any similar term in the table of authorities.
2. **Practice Note to Fed. Cir. R. 32:** Includes a practice note regarding *Microsoft Corp. v. DataTern, Inc.*, 755 F.3d 899, 910 (Fed. Cir. 2014).