

**PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2071(b), PUBLIC NOTICE AND AN OPPORTUNITY
FOR COMMENT ARE HEREBY GIVEN CONCERNING PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA**

On April 28, 2010, the Supreme Court approved amendments to Fed. R. Civ. P. 8, 26, and 56 (and illustrative form 52) and submitted the amendments to Congress for its consideration. Absent congressional intervention, the amendments will become effective on December 1, 2010.

The Court has determined that an amendment to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 necessitates a minor modification to our Local Rule 26.1. A copy of the proposed amendment may be viewed on page two (2) of this document. Comments on the proposed amendment to the Local Rules may be submitted in writing to the Clerk at the Savannah address by November 19, 2010.

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Savannah, GA 31412

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**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE LOCAL RULES OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
GEORGIA, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2010**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO LOCAL RULE 26.1 (new language is underlined):

LR 26.1 Time Limitations.

(d) Unless otherwise stated in the Scheduling Order issued pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b):

(ii) the plaintiff must furnish the expert witness reports required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(B) and provide the disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(C) within 60 days after the Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) conference. . . .”

(iii) the defendant must furnish the expert witness reports required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(B) and provide the disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(C) within 90 days after the Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) conference. . . .”