

## **Local Rules Standing Advisory Committee 2004-2006/2007**

In March, 2003, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri adopted a comprehensive set of Local Rules, Forms and Procedures. Since that time, the Court has implemented Electronic Case Filing (ECF) and has seen other issues arise on which the current Local Rules may be unclear or silent. To help review and recommend revisions to the Local Rules and current practice, the Court has formed a [Local Rules Advisory Committee](#) [click to see Committee] comprised of attorneys and paralegals representing a cross-section of practice interests in the bankruptcy field.

The Local Rules Advisory Committee will review the Local Rules, Local Forms, Procedures Manual and ECF Administrative Procedures to streamline and consolidate current procedures. The Committee will look specifically at the following issues:

1. What items need to be clarified based on usage and practical experience;
2. What items have been affected by or may need to be modified because of ECF;
3. What items may need to be included because they were not previously addressed; and
4. What items may need to be addressed because of pending amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure or changes in the law.

The Court envisions the entire rule revision process being completed with adoption of new rules in December 2005. The majority of the Advisory Committee's work will be completed by February 2005. The Committee will continue as a standing committee, even after the rules are adopted, to address new comments and to look ahead to the need for subsequent revision. A proposed [Time line](#) [click to see time line] for the revision process is attached.

You are invited to contact any member of the [Advisory Committee](#) or submit your comments to the Court through a form developed for this purpose on the Court's Website. [\[Comment Form - click here\]](#).