



United States District Court
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

LR 83.12 COMPLAINTS AGAINST A JUDGE

A person may file with the Clerk of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit a complaint against a judge alleging misconduct or disability. Such complaints are governed by

- 28 U.S.C. § 372(c);
- the Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Rules adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States; and
- the Rules Governing Complaints of Judicial Misconduct and Disability adopted by the Judicial Council of the Eighth Circuit.

[Adopted effective November 1, 1996; amended May 14, 2013]

2013 Advisory Committee's Note to LR 83.12

The language of LR 83.12 has been amended in accordance with the restyling process described in the 2012 Advisory Committee's Preface on Stylistic Amendments. In addition, LR 83.12 has been revised to refer not only to the relevant Eighth Circuit rules, but also to the relevant rules of the Judicial Conference of the United States.

1996 Advisory Committee's Note to LR 83.12

LR 83.12 was added in the 1996 amendments upon consideration by the Committee of the request of Judge William J. Bauer, Chairman of the Committee to Review Circuit Council Conduct and Disability Orders of the Judicial Conference of the United States, that federal district courts include in their Local Rules a reference to the procedure established by 28 U.S.C. § 372(c) and to the Circuit Court rules governing the process. The Judicial Council of the Eighth Circuit agreed with this proposal at its meeting of December 6, 1994. See letter from the Honorable William J. Bauer to the Honorable Richard S. Arnold, October 14, 1994; letter from the Honorable Richard S. Arnold to the Honorable William J. Bauer, December 7, 1994.