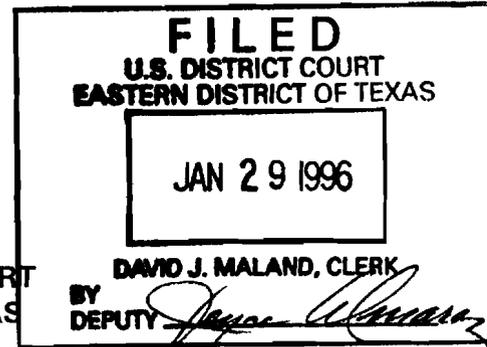


General Order No. 96-2



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

GENERAL ORDER AMENDING LOCAL RULE 9

It is hereby ORDERED that the following amendment to Local Rule 9, having been approved by the judges of the court, is adopted for immediate implementation:*

RULE 9

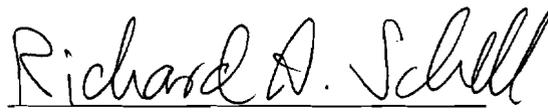
~~JURORS: NUMBER AND SELECTION~~ SELECTION OF JURORS

~~(a) Number of Jurors. In all civil actions, except as may be otherwise required by law, the jury shall consist of six members; however, it shall be optional with the presiding judge to require a twelve member jury rather than a six member jury.~~

~~(b) Selection and Arraignment of Jurors.~~ Grand and petit jurors shall be selected at random in accordance with a plan adopted by this Court pursuant to applicable federal statute and rule. Copies of the plan are available from the Clerk.

Signed this 25 day of January, 1996.

FOR THE COURT:


RICHARD A. SCHELL
Chief Judge

* New language in the rule appears as redline text, deleted language appears as strikeout text.