

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
LOCAL PATENT RULES
OF
PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE¹

December 1, 2016

| Affected Local Patent Rule | Change in Rule |
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| 301.2 | Amend Rule 301.2 to allow parties to request to opt of the Local Patent Rules. |
| 301.3 | Amend Rule 301.3 to specify the original effective date of the Local Patent Rules. |
| 303.1 | Amend Rule 303.1(a) to require a party to identify the application statutory subsection of 35 U.S.C. § 271 it is relying on to support a claim of infringement. |
| 303.2 | Add subsection (d) to Rule 303.2 to require a party asserting patent infringement to produce documents evidencing ownership of the patent in connection with its “Disclosure of Asserted Claims and Preliminary Infringement Contentions.” |
| 303.3, 303.4, 303.6, 303.7, 304.1, and 304.1 | Amend these rules to remove the requirement that a party submit non-infringement contentions. |

¹ This summary was prepared by the Clerk’s Office as a guide to the changes to the Local Patent Rules and should not substitute for reading the full text of those rules. This summary is not intended to serve as legal advice or commentary on the proposed changes to the Local Patent Rules. The summary does not include minor stylistic changes or technical amendments.