

In the  
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF )  
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APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES )  
 )  
FOR PIKE COUNTY )

Cause No. 63S00-0605-MS-172

**ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO LOCAL RULES**

Pursuant to Ind. Trial Rule 81(D), the Hon. Jeffrey L. Biesterveld, Judge of the Pike Circuit Court respectively, requests this Court's approval of an amendment to Pike County Local Rule LR63-CR13-12. Judge Biesterveld also requests that the amendments become effective immediately.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendments requested by the Pike Circuit Court, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment to Local Rules LR63-CR13-12 complies with the requirements of Ind. Criminal Rule 2.2 and, accordingly, should be approved effective thirty (30) days after the rule has been posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that Pike County Local Rule LR63-CR13-12, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective thirty (30) days after the rule has been posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Jeffrey L. Biesterveld, Pike Circuit Court, P.O. Box 407, Petersburg, IN 47567-0407, and to the Clerk of the Pike Circuit Court.

The Clerk of the Pike Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Court, to post this Order and attachment for examination by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2006.

  
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Randall T. Shepard  
Chief Justice of Indiana

ORDER ADOPTING LOCAL RULES OF PRACTICE FOR THE  
PIKE CIRCUIT COURT, 83<sup>rd</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PIKE  
COUNTY, INDIANA

Pursuant to Trial Rule 81 of the Indiana Rules of Trial Procedure, it is hereby ORDERED that the following Local Rules of the Pike Circuit Court, 83<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit, Pike County, Indiana, be and the same are hereby adopted, **effective March 7, 2006** and upon approval of the same by the Indiana Supreme Court for those rules requiring Supreme Court approval. These Local Rules are intended to standardize the practice within the Court, facilitate the effective flow of information, and enable the Court to rule on the merits of each matter before it. The purpose of these Local Rules is achievement of the ultimate end of orderly and speedy justice.

SO ORDERED this 7th day of March, 2006.

Hon. Jeffrey L. Biesterveld, Judge  
Pike Circuit Court

**LR63-CR13-12**

**APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL JUDGE IN CRIMINAL CASES**

If a motion for change of judge is granted or an order of disqualification is entered or it becomes necessary to appoint a special judge, in a criminal case pending in the Pike Circuit Court, the case shall be reassigned to one of the following judges who have agreed to serve as a special judge in the Pike Circuit Court

Hon. Dean A. Sobecki, Judge, Daviess Superior Court  
Hon. W. Timothy Crowley, Judge, Knox Superior Court I  
Hon. William E. Weikert, Judge, Dubois Circuit Court  
Hon. Jim R. Osborne, Judge, Knox Superior Court II  
Hon. Earl G. Penrod, Judge, Gibson Superior Court  
Hon. Elaine B. Brown, Judge, Dubois Superior Court  
Hon. Sherry L. Biddinger-Gregg, Judge, Knox Circuit Court

The Court shall alternately select a judge for appointment as special judge, on a rotating basis, from the list set forth above, until all of the judges have been appointed an equal number of cases.

In the event no judge from the list above of this rule is available for appointment, or if the particular circumstances in a case warrant selection of a special judge by the Indiana Supreme Court, the Court may request, pursuant to Ind. Crim. Rule 13(D), the Indiana Supreme Court to appoint a special judge.