Rule 2090-1

ATTORNEYS -- ADMISSION TO PRACTICE

(a) Except as provided for below, no attorney shall be permitted to appear or be heard as counsel for another in any case or proceeding in the Court unless first admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida pursuant to Rule 2.01 of the Local Rules for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida.

(b) An attorney residing outside the State of Florida, who is not admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, may appear without the necessity of seeking special admission to practice as provided for in subparagraph (c) below, and may also appear without general or special admission to practice in the following limited instances: the preparation and filing of a Notice of Appearance and Request For Service of Notices pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002, the preparation and filing of a proof of claim, the attendance and inquiry at the meeting of creditors held under 11 U.S.C. § 341, and the attendance and representation of a creditor at a hearing that has been noticed to all creditors generally except the representation of a party in a contested matter or adversary proceeding.

(c) Special Admission to Practice.

(1) Any attorney residing outside the State of Florida, who is a member in good standing of the bar of any District Court of the United States other than the Middle District of Florida, may appear specially and be heard in any case or proceeding without formal or general admission; provided, however, such privilege is not abused by frequent or regular appearances in separate cases to such a degree as to constitute the maintenance of a regular practice of law in the Middle District of Florida; and provided further that, whenever a nonresident attorney appears as counsel by filing any pleading or paper in any case or proceeding pending in the Court except as specified in paragraph (b) above, the attorney shall, within ten (10) days thereafter, file a written designation and consent-to-act on the part of some member of the bar of the Middle District, resident in Florida, upon whom all notices and papers may be served and who will be responsible for the progress of the case; provided, however, the Court may waive such designation for good cause shown. The designation and consent-to-act requirement

shall be deemed satisfied by the filing of a pleading signed as co-counsel by the non-resident attorney and by the Florida resident attorney who is a member of the bar of this district.

(2) Any attorney representing the United States, or any agency thereof, having the authority of the Government to appear as its counsel, may appear specially and be heard in any case or proceeding in which the Government or such agency thereof is a party-in-interest, without formal or general admission.

Notes of Advisory Committee

2004 Amendment

This amendment corrects the Bankruptcy Rules citation to that of the currently used citation.

1997 Amendment

This amendment conforms the existing Local Rules to the uniform numbering system prescribed by the Judicial Conference of the United States and to the model system suggested and approved by the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules of the Judicial Conference's Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure. In renumbering the Local Rules to conform to the uniform numbering system, no change in substance is intended. This amendment is effective on April 15, 1997.

This rule was formerly Local Rule 1.07(a)-(c)(1)-(2). The Advisory Committee Notes to the superseded rules may be helpful in interpreting and applying the current rules.

The reference in paragraph (a) of this rule is to District Court Local Rule 2.01. At the time of this amendment, the District Court had not taken action to renumber its local rules. In the event the District Court renumbers its local rules, this rule should be interpreted to refer to the renumbered successor to current District Court Local Rule 2.01.

1995 Amendment

The amendment to Local Rule 1.07(b) is stylistic. No substantive change is intended.

The amendment to Local Rule 1.07 (c)(1) specifies that the attorney executing the written designation and consent-to-act on

behalf of the non-resident attorney be resident in the Middle District of Florida.

The amendment to Local Rule 1.07(c)(3) is intended to clarify that an attorney appearing specially is subject to the same disciplinary process as a member of the bar of the District Court.

These amendments were effective on February 15, 1995.