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Thorough knowledge of the local rules is vital. Familiarity with our internal procedures and practices will save you time, avoid headache and heartache, and make you a more effective advocate for your client.

Best wishes to you.

Yours very truly,

Hayden W. Head, Jr.
Chief Judge