

# TITLE IV

## Chapter: 25 Chapter Title: ALLOTMENT, REALLOTMENT AND TRANSFER OF CASES; FORM OF PLEADINGS

### Rule No: 25.1

#### Pleadings in Allotted Cases

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**1st Judicial District  
Court  
Parish of Caddo**

RULE 24. FILING OF DIVORCE AND MATTERS INCIDENTAL TO DIVORCE; MULTIPLE  
DIVORCE PETITIONS

Adopted effective  
Jan. 1, 1994.

1. In accordance with C.C. Art. 2375(C), all pleadings or motions between the same parties relative to  
divorce or matters incidental to divorce must be filed in the first suit filed by either party.

2. [Pub. Note: There is no paragraph 2.]

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**9th Judicial District  
Court  
Parish of Rapides**

RULE XI. DIVORCE AND SEPARATION

Revised effective  
Nov. 16, 2005.

The following rules will be observed with respect to divorce and separation cases:

B. In a case where an attorney is appointed to represent an absent defendant, he may not file an answer  
before the expiration of fifteen days from the date of service, except in cases where the appointed attorney  
has communicated with, and has had a reply from, the defendant;

C. Counsel for the plaintiff shall not prepare an answer for the defendant or assist or advise in its preparation

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**10th Judicial District  
Court  
Parish of  
Natchitoches**

RULE 24. SEPARATION AND DIVORCE CASES

Section 1. The following rules shall be observed with respect to separation and divorce cases:

(c) In a case where a curator ad hoc is appointed to represent an absent defendant, he may file an answer  
before the expiration of fifteen (15) days from the date of service is made upon him by the Sheriff or  
acceptance of service, but a trial on the merits cannot be had for fifteen (15) days from service or acceptance.

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**11th Judicial District  
Court  
Parish of Sabine**

RULE 6. ALLOTMENT OF CIVIL CASES

Effective January 31,  
1997.

Section 3. Where a suit is filed, involving a summary matter, accompanied by a rule, as a rule for restraining  
order and injunctive relief, child custody, support, alimony and the like, the suit will first be filed with the  
Clerk of Court, docketed and allotted before being presented to a Judge, who shall then fix a hearing on the  
rule for the next court to be held in the Parish, within the time provided by law, by the Judge of the Division  
to whom the case has been allotted.

The Judges of each Division may, in addition to his regularly scheduled terms of Court, designate two  
days each month, for each Parish, for hearing such matters as are hereinabove referred to if such additional  
scheduling is necessary.

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Court**

**RULE 5. MOTIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND RULES**

**Parish of Evangeline**

Section (a). Each exception, motion or rule (except a motion for extension of time within which to plead, a motion or rule to examine judgment debtor, and rules seeking the initial fixing of alimony or the initial award of custody) shall be accompanied by a memorandum of authorities and support thereof. A copy of the memorandum shall be mailed to the opposing parties by the filing party. An opponent may furnish a memorandum of authority at least 24 hrs. before the time set for hearing of the exception, motion or rule. No exception, motion or rule requiring a memorandum of authority shall be assigned for hearing until these requirements have been complied with.

When any reference is made to any memorandum of authority other than (1) decisions of the appellate courts of this State, (2) Statutes of the State of Louisiana, and, (3) Statutes of the United States, a photocopy of the authority shall be attached to the memorandum.

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**14th Judicial District  
Court**

**Section D. Filings and Pleadings.**

**Parish of Calcasieu**

All pleadings and motions pertaining to Non Support shall be filed with the Clerk of Court.

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**24th Judicial District  
Court**

A. All pleadings or motions between the same parties filed in domestic cases must be filed in the first suit filed by either party.

**Parish of Jefferson**

The proceeding first filed, unless abandoned or dismissed as a matter of law, shall be the proceeding for all subsequent litigation in the case.

Revised effective  
May 25, 2005

1. Upon filing, the clerk shall certify whether there are prior domestic pleadings filed between the same parties.

2. Where there is an earlier case between the same parties the clerk of court shall transmit the earlier record to the court along with the new filing and conform to the requirements of 24th J.D.C. Domestic Rule 25.

B. When pleadings are filed in any new or ongoing matter within the authority and responsibility of the domestic hearing officer, 24th J.D.C. Domestic Rule 24.0 (3) (D) shall be complied with.

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