Local Rule 9019-1 Settlements of Adversary Proceedings (2013)

(a) General. The parties should file a written settlement agreement not less than 3 business days before a related hearing. Unless good cause is shown, if the parties settle a matter less than 3 business days before a related hearing, the court may assess costs equally to the parties including, court costs, reporter costs, and the judge's travel costs and per diem, if any. The clerk must bill the parties for the assessed costs and monitor the collection of the costs for the court.

(b) Settlement of Adversary Proceeding with Trial Date. In an adversary proceeding for which a trial date has been scheduled, the parties must immediately notify the court of any settlement agreement that resolves all or part of the proceeding. Parties who fail to give adequate notice of the cancellation of a trial date may be assessed costs. Whenever a civil action scheduled for jury trial is settled or otherwise disposed of by agreement in advance of the trial date, jury costs paid or incurred may be assessed against the parties and their attorneys as directed by the court. Jury costs may include attendance fees, per diem, mileage and parking. Jury costs will not be assessed if notice of settlement or disposition of the case is given to the Jury Administrator of the District Court Clerk's Office at least 1 full business day prior to the scheduled trial date.

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