

Local Rule 26.1. Disclosure of Corporate Affiliations and Other Entities with a Direct Financial Interest in Litigation.

(a) All parties to a civil or bankruptcy case, and all corporate defendants in a criminal case, whether or not they are covered by the terms of FRAP 26.1, shall file a corporate affiliate/financial interest disclosure statement. This rule does not apply to the United States, to state and local governments in cases in which the opposing party is proceeding without counsel, or to parties proceeding in forma pauperis.

(b) The statement shall set forth the information required by FRAP 26.1 and the following:

(1) A trade association shall identify in the disclosure statement all members of the association, their parent corporations, and any publicly held companies that own 10% or more of a member's stock.

(2) All parties shall identify any publicly held corporation, whether or not a party to the present litigation, that has a direct financial interest in the outcome of the litigation by reason of a franchise, lease, other profit sharing agreement, insurance, or indemnity agreement.

(3) Whenever required by FRAP 26.1 or this rule to disclose information about a corporation that has issued shares to the public, a party shall also disclose information about similarly situated master limited partnerships, real estate investment trusts, or other legal entities whose shares are publicly held or traded.

(c) The disclosure statement shall be on a form provided by the clerk. A negative statement is required if a party has no disclosures to make.

(d) The disclosure statement shall be filed within 10 days of receipt of the notice of docketing and the disclosure form, unless earlier pleadings are submitted for the Court's consideration, in which case the disclosure statement shall be filed at that time. The parties are required to amend their disclosure statements when necessary to maintain their current accuracy.

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