

ADOPTED April 1, 2019

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

AMENDMENT OF INTERNAL OPERATING PROCEDURE 34.2

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the court intends to amend I.O.P. 34.2 to provide that if a case is decided without oral argument the decision on the merits “generally will be” rather than “must be” unanimous.

The amendment will take effect on April 1, 2019. Interested parties may submit comments on or before March 25, 2019, to:

Patricia S. Connor, Clerk
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
1100 E. Main Street, Suite 501
Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Fourth Circuit Rulebook is available [here](#)

February 19, 2019

Date

s/ Patricia S. Connor

Clerk

I.O.P. 34.2. Disposition Without Oral Argument.

A decision against oral argument must be unanimous, and if a case is decided without oral argument the decision on the merits ~~must~~ generally will be unanimous also. Whenever at least one member of the review panel determines that oral argument would be of assistance, the panel notifies the clerk who places the case on the oral argument calendar.