

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA
September 6, 2016

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Rule 4.I(C), Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration, be amended to read in accordance with Appendix A to this order;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Committee Comments to Amendment to Rule 4.I(C) Effective October 1, 2016, be adopted to read in accordance with Appendix B to this order;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this amendment and the adoption of the committee comments are effective October 1, 2016;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following note from the reporter of decisions be added to follow Rule 4:

"Note from the reporter of decisions: The order amending Rule 4.I(C), Ala. R. Jud. Admin., effective October 1, 2016, and adopting the committee comments to the amendment is published in that volume of Alabama Reporter that contains Alabama cases from ___ So. 3d."

Stuart, Bolin, Parker, Murdock, Shaw, Main, Wise, and Bryan, JJ., concur.

I, Julia Jordan Weller, as Clerk of the Supreme Court of Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the instrument(s) herewith set out as same appear(s) of record in said Court.

Witness my hand this 6th day of September, 2016

Julia Jordan Weller
Clerk, Supreme Court of Alabama

APPENDIX A

Rule 4.I(C), Ala. R. Jud. Admin.

(C) The clerk or register shall issue all process and notices required by law or directed by the court to be issued. Any other rule or statute notwithstanding, any party or attorney to any court proceeding who is entitled to receive any notice by first-class mail concerning that proceeding may receive that notice by any electronic means approved by the Administrative Director of Courts in lieu of first-class mail. Service by electronic means in compliance with this rule shall be complete on transmission of the electronic document. Any party who is not an attorney may elect to receive notice by electronic means by written request to the court at any time during the course of the proceeding. Once a party has elected to receive notice by electronic means, the court may use such means as to that party for any notice that could otherwise have been conveyed by first-class mail until such election is rescinded in writing by that party or the party's attorney of record.

APPENDIX B

Committee Comments to Amendment to Rule 4.I(C)
Effective October 1, 2016

The amendment provides that attorneys or parties to a court proceeding who are entitled to receive notice by first-class mail may receive that notice by electronic means and establishes a procedure by which a party can elect to receive notices by electronic means and rescind such notice. All attorneys licensed to practice law in Alabama are required to be "registered users" of the Alabama Judicial System's electronic-filing system. If the attorney for the party to receive notice is a registered user of the electronic-filing system as provided for by order or rules of the Supreme Court of Alabama, service of the notice may be made by electronic transmittal in accordance with any such order or rules.