

# THE COURTS

## Title 255—LOCAL COURT RULES

### NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Administrative Order 2003-4—Civil Court Rules  
N211, N1308, N4008; C-48-CV-2003-4469

#### Order of Court

*And Now*, this 19th day of June, 2003, the following rules, N211(d)—Argument Lists, Request for Findings and Conclusions, N1308—Appeal by Party not Present at Hearing, and N4008—Deposition by Oral Examination, are hereby adopted. The effective date of the rules is August 1, 2003. Prior Rule N211(d) is rescinded.

*By the Court*

ROBERT A. FREEDBERG,  
*President Judge*

#### **N211. Argument Lists, Requests for Findings and Conclusions**

(d) Oral Argument—When each case is called, the parties shall state to the Court (1) whether briefs are filed and (2) whether any party requests oral argument

on the matter before the Court. Cases on the argument list may be submitted on briefs, if all parties agree to waive oral argument. If all parties agree to submission on briefs, counsel need not appear for the call of the argument list; rather, counsel for the moving party shall provide written notice to the Court Administrator that all parties agree that the case may be submitted on the briefs.

#### **N1308. Appeal by Party not Present at Hearing**

If a party who was not present at a hearing before a Board of Arbitration appeals the decision of the Board of Arbitration, the non-appealing party may petition for reasonable counsel fees and expenses for the arbitration proceeding. The court may award said fees and expenses unless the absence was for good cause. An award of said fees and expenses shall be paid within thirty days of the order; in default thereof, the court may impose sanctions.

#### **N4008. Deposition by Oral Examination**

Unless leave of Court is obtained or all parties agree otherwise, and excerpting videotape depositions for use at trial, all depositions in cases filed with this Court shall be taken in Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

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