

670.1 General provisions and definitions.

(a) Practice rules of the Appellate Division.

This Part serves as a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Practice Rules of the Appellate Division (22 NYCRR Part 1250) and the Electronic Filing Rules of the Appellate Division (22 NYCRR Part 1245). Where there is a conflict between this Part and Parts 1250 and 1245 of this Title, this Part controls when practicing within the Second Judicial Department.

(b) Sessions of the court.

Unless otherwise ordered, the court will convene at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Special sessions of the court may be held at such times and for such purposes as the court from time to time may direct.

(c) Appearance of counsel.

(1) Counsel who has filed a notice of appeal on behalf of a party shall be regarded as counsel of record for that party in this court, except where:

- (i) the notice of appeal contains a statement indicating that counsel has not been retained for purposes of appeal; or
- (ii) counsel who filed the notice of appeal was assigned in the court of original instance, and that assignment has not been extended to the appeal by statute, order or rule.

(2) In any cause or matter in which counsel files a document in this court on behalf of a party who is not otherwise represented by counsel of record in this court, filing counsel shall be regarded as counsel of record for that party in this court.

(3) Unless the court directs otherwise, there shall be only one counsel of record for a party in connection with any cause or matter pending in this court.

(4) Counsel of record may be changed by:

- (i) the filing of a consent to change attorney or substitution of counsel in this court which is on notice to all parties, executed by both counsel of record and incoming counsel, if there is one, and signed and acknowledged by the affected party; or
- (ii) by successfully moving this court for permission to withdraw as counsel.

(5) Upon the filing of a notice of appearance on notice to all parties in a cause or matter, counsel shall be regarded as counsel of record for a party who is not otherwise represented in this court in connection with the cause or matter.

(6) Counsel who is retained by counsel of record to serve as appellate counsel may inform the court as to that status by filing a writing indicating same on notice to all parties. All records, appendices and briefs filed by appellate counsel must bear the name, address, telephone number and e-mail address of counsel of record, along with that of appellate counsel, and must indicate appellate counsel's status as such.

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670.9 Time, Number and Manner of Filing of Records, Appendices and Briefs

(a) **Digital Copies of Records, Appendices and Briefs.** The digital copies of the records, appendices and briefs required to be filed with the Court pursuant to §§ 1250.9[a], [c] and [d] of the Rules of Practice of the Appellate Division (22 NYCRR §§ 1250.9[a], [c], [d]) shall comply with the technical requirements for electronically filed documents (22 NYCRR Part 1245, Appendix A), and shall be filed by uploading through a digital portal. Please consult the court's website for details.

(b) **Extensions of time to perfect an appeal or to file and serve a brief.** Motions to extend the time to perfect an appeal or to file and serve a brief shall be granted only in limited circumstances and upon a showing of good cause.

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1250.9 Time, Number and Manner of Filing of Records, Appendices and Briefs

(a) Appellant's Filing. Except where the court has directed that an appeal be perfected by a particular time, an appellant shall file with the clerk within six months of the date of the notice of appeal or order granting leave to appeal:

(1) if employing the reproduced full record method, an original and five hard copies of a reproduced full record, an original and five hard copies of appellant's brief, and one digital copy of the record and brief, with proof of service of one hard copy of the record and brief upon each other party to the appeal; or

(2) if employing the appendix method, an original, five hard copies and one digital copy of appellant's brief and appendix, with proof of service of one hard copy of the brief and appendix upon each other party to the appeal, and either:

(i) in the First and Second Judicial Departments, proof of service of a subpoena upon the clerk of the court of original instance requiring all documents constituting the record on appeal to be filed with the clerk of the Appellate Division, or

(ii) in the Third and Fourth Judicial Departments, a digital copy of the complete record.

(3) if employing the agreed statement in lieu of record method, an original and five hard copies of the agreed statement in lieu of record as provided in CPLR 5527, an original and five hard copies of appellant's brief, and one digital copy of the agreed statement and the brief, with proof of service of one hard copy of the agreed statement and brief upon each other party to the appeal; or

(4) if perfecting on the original record, an original and five hard copies and one digital copy of appellant's brief, with proof of service of one hard copy of the brief upon each other party to the appeal and either:

(i) in the First and Second Judicial Departments, proof of service of a subpoena upon the clerk of the court of original instance requiring all documents constituting the record on appeal to be filed with the clerk of the Appellate Division, or

(ii) in the Fourth Judicial Department, a hard copy of the complete record.

(5) In the First and Second Judicial Departments, where a subpoena is required to be served upon the clerk of the court of original instance pursuant to sections 1250.9(a)(2)(i) and 1250.9(a)(4)(i) of this Part, the clerk from whom the papers are subpoenaed shall compile the original papers constituting the record on appeal and cause them to be transmitted to the clerk of the court, together with a certificate listing the papers constituting the record on appeal and stating whether all such papers are included in the papers transmitted.

(b) Extension of time to perfect appeal. Except where the court has directed that the appeal be perfected by a particular time, the parties may stipulate, or in the alternative an appellant may apply by letter, on notice to all parties, to extend the time to perfect an appeal up to 60 days. Any such stipulation shall be filed with the court. The appellant may thereafter apply by letter, on notice to all parties, to extend the time to perfect by up to an additional 30 days. Any further application for an extension of time to perfect the appeal shall be made by motion.

(c) Respondent's Filing. The respondent on an appeal shall file with the clerk within 30 days of the date of service of the appellant's submissions or, in the First Judicial Department, in accordance with the court's published terms calendar:

(1) under the full record method, the agreed statement in lieu of record method, or when perfecting on the original record, an original and five hard copies and one digital copy of the respondent's brief, with proof of service of one hard copy of the brief upon each party to the appeal; or

(2) under the appendix method, an original and five hard copies and one digital copy of the respondent's brief and appendix, if any, with proof of service of one hard copy of the brief and appendix, if any, upon each party to the appeal.

(d) Appellant's Reply. The appellant shall file with the clerk an original, five hard copies and one digital copy of the appellant's reply brief, with proof of service of one hard copy of the brief upon each party to the matter, within 10 days of the date of service of the respondent's submissions or, in the First Judicial Department, in accordance with the court's published terms calendar.

(e) Pro se or unrepresented parties shall be exempt from the requirement of the filing of a digital copy of any brief or other document.

(f) Cross Appeals; Concurrent Appeals from Single Order or Judgment; Consolidation of Appeals from Multiple Orders or Judgments.

(1) Cross appeals. In a cross appeal:

(i) The appealing parties shall consult and make best efforts to stipulate to a briefing schedule. In the First Judicial Department, if the parties fail to stipulate to an alternative briefing schedule, the cause shall be perfected in accordance with the court's published terms calendar, and shall not be governed by the time parameters set forth in subsections (iv) through (vi).

(ii) The appealing parties shall file a joint record or joint appendix certified as provided in section 1250.7(g) of this Part and shall share equally the cost of that record or appendix;

(iii) The party that first perfects the appeal shall be denominated the appellant-respondent;

(iv) A respondent-appellant's answering brief shall include the points of argument on the cross appeal and, unless the parties have stipulated otherwise, shall be filed and served within 30 days after service of the first appeal brief;

(v) An appellant-respondent's reply brief shall include the points of argument in response to the cross-appeal and, unless the parties have stipulated otherwise, shall be filed and served within 30 days after service of the answering brief;

(vi) Unless the parties have stipulated otherwise, a respondent-appellant's reply brief, if any, shall be served within 10 days after service of appellant's reply brief.

(2) Concurrent appeals from a single order or judgment. In concurrent appeals, the appellants shall perfect the appeals together, without motion, in the period measured from the date of the latest notice of appeal. The appellants shall file a joint record or joint appendix certified as provided in section 1250.7(g) of this Part and shall share equally the cost of that record or appendix.

(3) Appeals from multiple orders or judgments. When an appellant takes appeals from multiple orders and judgments arising out of the same action or proceeding, the appellant may perfect the appeals together, without motion and upon a single record or appendix, provided that each appeal is perfected in a timely manner pursuant to this Part.

(4) Absent an order of the court, appeals from orders or judgments in separate actions or proceedings cannot be consolidated but may, upon written request of a party, be scheduled by the court to be heard together on the same day.

(g) Extensions of Time to File and Serve Responsive Briefs. Except where the court has directed that answering or reply briefs be served and filed by a particular time, an extension of time to serve and file such briefs may be obtained as follows:

(1) By initial stipulation or application. The parties may stipulate or a party may apply by letter on notice to all parties to extend the time to file and serve an answering brief by up to 30 days, and to file a reply brief by up to 10 days. Not more than two such stipulations or applications shall be permitted. A stipulation shall not be effective unless promptly filed with the court. Any further application shall be made by motion. In the First Judicial Department, extensions by stipulation shall be filed by a date set forth in the court's published terms calendar, and shall put a matter over to any later term other than the June Term.

(2) By motion. A party may move to extend the time to file and serve a brief.

(h) Leave to File Oversized Brief. An application for permission to file an oversized brief shall be made to the clerk by letter stating the number of words or pages by which the brief exceeds the limits set forth in this section and the reasons why submission of an oversized brief is

necessary. The letter shall be accompanied by a copy of the proposed brief and printing specifications statement.

(i) **Constitutionality of State Statute.** Where the constitutionality of a statute of the State is involved in a matter in which the State is not a party, the party raising the issue shall serve a copy of the brief upon the Attorney General of the State of New York, and file proof of service with the court. The Attorney General may thereupon intervene in the appeal.