

APPENDIX 24.1: COURT-SPECIFIC RULES CONCERNING PRIOR OR MULTIPLE FILING OF PLEADINGS

COURT	PARISHES	<u>COURT-SPECIFIC RULES CONCERNING PRIOR OR MULTIPLE FILING OF PLEADINGS</u>
10 th J.D.C.	Natchitoches Parish Amended March 1, 2018, effective March 1, 2018.	Any family law proceeding filed, including petitions for protection from abuse, but excluding adoptions and any child support case brought by the State of Louisiana under Title IV-(A), (D), or (E) of the Social Security Act, La. R.S. 46:236.1, 42 U.S.C 651 (1975), as amended, shall be assigned the same docket number and division of any previously filed family law proceeding between the same parties. The only exception shall be in the instance of a divorce proceeding that has been adjudicated as abandoned, or is abandoned by operation of law, in which case the docket number shall be permanently retired.
15 th J.D.C.	Acadia, Lafayette, and Vermilion Parishes Amended October 30, 2015, effective October 1, 2015. Amended November 20, 2016, effective January 1, 2017.	<p>The proceeding first docketed shall be the proceeding for all subsequent litigation in the case. Any subsequent filings shall be filed in said docket. Any subsequent suits between the same parties shall be given a new docket number and division, but shall be consolidated into the previous docket and division.</p> <p>However, if the divorce and/or separation proceeding was pending in a Family Docket division and the case has been abandoned, the case shall be reallocated to a non-Family Docket division of the court if there are no longer any minor children born of, adopted or legitimated by the marriage.</p>
17 th J.D.C.	Lafourche Parish Adopted February 21, 2017, effective February 21, 2017.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attorneys are required to comply with La. Dist. Court Rule 9.4 regarding Notice of Prior Filing or Multiple Filing, for any other proceedings involving the same family unit, whether family law, juvenile, domestic violence. 2. See Appendix 24.2 entry for 17th JDC, for allotment and One Family One Judge rules.
23 rd J.D.C.	Ascension, Assumption, and St. James Parishes Amended November 30, 2015, effective January 1, 2016.	<p style="text-align: center;">PLEADINGS IN ALLOTTED CASES</p> <p>A. All pleadings or motions between the same parties filed in domestic cases must be filed in the first suit filed by either party.</p> <p>The proceeding first filed, unless abandoned or dismissed as a matter of law, shall be the proceeding for all subsequent litigation in the case.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upon filing, the clerk shall certify whether there are prior domestic pleadings filed between the same parties.

		<p>2. Where there is an earlier case between the same parties the clerk of court shall transmit the earlier record to the court along with the new filing and conform to the requirements of the 23rd JDC's Appendix 24.2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TRANSFER OF CASES</p> <p>A. A domestic case which is allotted as a new case where a case already exists between the same parties which has neither been abandoned nor dismissed shall be transferred to the division of court to which the original pleading was allotted and consolidated with the first case in conformity with this Appendix.</p> <p>B. This rule shall be applied so that cases remain with the division to which they were first allotted and the parties appear before the same division in all matters.</p>
24 th J.D.C.	Jefferson Parish	<p style="text-align: center;">PLEADINGS IN ALLOTTED CASES</p> <p>A. All pleadings or motions between the same parties filed in domestic cases must be filed in the first suit filed by either party.</p> <p>The proceeding first filed, unless abandoned or dismissed as a matter of law, shall be the proceeding for all subsequent litigation in the case.</p> <p>1. Upon filing, the clerk shall certify whether there are prior domestic pleadings filed between the same parties.</p> <p>2. Where there is an earlier case between the same parties the clerk of court shall transmit the earlier record to the court along with the new filing and conform to the requirements of the 24th JDC's Appendix 24.2.</p> <p>B. When pleadings are filed in any new or ongoing matter within the authority and responsibility of the domestic hearing officer, the 24th JDC's Appendix 32.0B shall be complied with.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TRANSFER OF CASES</p> <p>A. A domestic case which is allotted as a new case where a case already exists between the same parties which has neither been abandoned or dismissed shall be transferred to the division of court to which the original pleading was allotted and consolidated with the first filed case in conformity with this Appendix.</p> <p>B. This rule shall be applied so that cases remain with the division, domestic commissioner and domestic hearing officer to which they were first allotted and the parties appear before the same division, domestic commissioner and domestic hearing officer in all matters.</p>

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