STATE OF MAINE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT AMENDMENT TO MAINE RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

2014 Me. Rules 10

Effective: November 1, 2014

All of the Justices concurring therein, the following amendment to the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure is adopted to be effective on the date indicated above. The specific amendment is stated below. To aid in understanding of the amendment, an Advisory Note appears after the text of the amendment. The Advisory Note states the reason for recommending the amendment, but the Advisory Note is not part of the amendment adopted by the Court.

- 1. Rule 9(f) of the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure is amended to read as follows:
- (f) Form of Briefs. Briefs shall be signed. Briefs may be reproduced by standard printing or by any duplicating or copying process capable of producing a clear black image on white paper, with printing on only one side of each page. All printed matter must appear in at least 12 14-point font not smaller than 12 point Bookman on opaque, unglazed paper except that footnotes and quotations may appear in 11-point type. Briefs shall be bound on the left hand margin in volumes having pages 81/2x 11 inches and typed matter not exceeding 6 1/2 x 9 1/2 inches, with double spacing between each line of text except for quotations. The front cover of the brief shall contain: (1) the name of the Supreme Judicial Court sitting as the Law Court and the Law Court docket number of the case; (2) the title of the case; (3) the nature of the proceeding before the Law Court (e.g., Appeal; Report; Certification) and the name of the court, agency, or commission below; (4) the title of the document (e.g., Brief for Appellant); and (5) the names and addresses of counsel representing the party on whose behalf the document is filed. The covers of the brief of the appellant shall be blue; that of the appellee, red; that of an intervenor or amicus curiae, green; and that of any reply brief, gray.

Advisory Note - October 2014

Rule 9(f) is amended to omit the requirement that briefs be printed in Bookman font, to change the minimum size of the font from 12-point font to 14-point font, and to standardize formatting.

Dated: October 7, 2014

FOR THE COURT¹

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¹ This Rule Amendment Order was approved after conference of the Court, all Justices concurring therein.