

## **Rule 1. Title and Scope of Rules; Definitions.**

### (a) Title and Scope of Rules.

(1) These rules, to be known as the Rules of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, govern procedure in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

(2) When these rules provide for filing a motion or other document in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, the procedure must comply with the practice of the Superior Court.

### (b) Definitions. As used in these Rules:

(1) The term "affidavit" means either a declaration made under oath or a declaration conforming to 28 U.S.C. § 1746.

(2) The term "agency" means the Mayor as defined by D.C. Code § 2-502 (2001), or any subordinate or independent agency as defined by D.C. Code §§ 2-502 (3) through (5) (2001).

(3) The term "appeal" means any proceeding in this court initiated by a notice of appeal, a petition for review, or a recommendation from the Board on Professional Responsibility for disciplinary action against a member of the Bar.

(4) The terms "appellant" and "appellee" are synonymous with petitioner and respondent, respectively.

(5) The term "calendar days" includes Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

(6) The term "Clerk" means the Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals unless otherwise described.

(7) The term "costs" means those amounts other than fees, whether paid to the Superior Court or to a third party, that are necessary for prosecution of an appeal before this court.

(8) The term "court" means the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, unless otherwise described.

(9) The term "Court Reporter Division" means the Court Reporting and Recording Division of the District of Columbia Courts.

(10) The term "division" means a panel of three judges of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. See D.C. Code § 11-705 (2001).

(11) The term "Family Court" means the Family Court of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

(12) The term "fees" means the amount charged by this court or the Superior Court for the filing of a notice of appeal, a petition for review, an application for allowance of appeal, or a

petition for extraordinary relief.

(13) The term “Form \_\_” means a Form from the Appendix of Forms accompanying these rules.