

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO
PROBATE DIVISION
JUDGE JACK R. PUFFENBERGER

In The Matter of:	*	CASE NO. MISC-64385
Local Rules of Practice	*	
	*	JUDGMENT ENTRY
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The Rules of Superintendence for the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division are hereby amended and adopted in accordance with Rule 5 of the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio, effective April 4, 2023 to include the following changes.

Rule

Notice of Wrongful Death Claims

- (A) This Local Rule shall apply to all decedents with a date of death on or after April 4, 2023.
- (B) Pursuant to R.C. 2125.02, any “other next of kin” of a decedent who wish to claim damages as a result of the decedent’s wrongful death shall provide notice of their claim by filing Lucas County Probate Court Form LCPC 14.4, Notice of Wrongful Death Claim.
- (C) The claimant is required to keep the court informed of their current address and may update their notice of claim as needed.
- (D) Estate fiduciaries shall review the case dockets for Notices of Wrongful Death Claims prior to each request to approve a wrongful death settlement, regardless of the date the request was filed.
- (E) The estate fiduciary shall file Lucas County Probate Form LCPC-14.5, Verification of Fiduciary, with each request to approve a wrongful death settlement.

IT IS THE ORDER OF THIS COURT THAT THIS AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL RULES IS EFFECTIVE April 4, 2023.

Date

Judge Jack R. Puffenberger