

## **6 Cir. R. 12 Filing a Representation Statement (Appearance of Counsel)**

An attorney who wishes to file documents or argue on behalf of a party to an appeal must complete and return a Form for Appearance of Counsel, 6CA-68. An attorney must be a member in good standing of the bar of the sixth circuit to register an appearance. In exigent circumstances that require filing or argument before admission to the bar of the sixth circuit, counsel should contact the clerk for directions. Only those attorneys for whom this court has this appearance form on file will receive notice of any hearings, orders, or other court action involving their case. Failure to file the form may result in dismissal of the case. It is counsel's obligation to inform the clerk's office of any change in address, telephone, fax number, and e-mail address.

COMMITTEE NOTE: Former I.O.P. Chapter 3.

### Comments

The title is changed because the rule deals only with filing an appearance.

Registration for electronic filing requires that an attorney be admitted to practice in the sixth circuit. All filings, except those set out in 6 Cir. R. 25(b), must be electronic. Thus, an appearance must be filed electronically. Therefore, this rule states that an attorney filing an appearance must be admitted to practice. There may, however, be instances where an emergency requires action before an attorney is admitted to practice. The clerk will provide directions in those instances.