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## Significant Change to Local Probate Rules

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During his annual presentation to our section in 2015, Judge Reiser “encouraged” (and we all know what it means when a judicial officer “encourages” something) our section to review the Local Rules for major revisions and updates. The Board for your Estate Planning and Probate Section heeded Judge Reiser’s call and began an extensive review and overhaul of our local rules for probate. It was not a quick or easy process.

The new local rules for probate (Chapter 10 of the Ventura County Superior Court Local Rules) have finally been approved by the court and will be in effect beginning January 3, 2017. More information can be found on the court’s website at [ventura.courts.ca.gov](http://ventura.courts.ca.gov).

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