

## **D.N.J. LBR 9010-2. Substitution or Withdrawal of Appearance**

**(a) Substitution of attorney.** An attorney seeking to substitute for another attorney must file Local Form *Notice of Substitution of Attorney*. Both attorneys must sign the form.

**(b) Withdrawal of appearance.** Unless another attorney is substituted, an attorney may not withdraw an appearance except by permission of court.

### 2015 Comment

This Rule is new.

Subdivision (b) is derived from Local Civil Rule 102.1.

A separate *Notice of Substitution of Attorney* must be filed in each case and adversary proceeding in which a substitution has occurred. A motion is required to substitute an attorney for a self-represented litigant.

### 2016 Comment

Subdivision (b) was amended to clarify that an attorney that has already appeared in a case may not substitute in a self-represented litigant without a motion to be relieved as counsel. A motion is not required for an attorney entering a case on behalf of a previously self-represented litigant.