

## **MASSACHUSETTS RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE**

### **Rule 5. Service and Filing of Pleadings and Other Papers**

#### **DRAFT Reporter's Notes--2017**

The 2017 amendment, adding Rule 5(h), serves to alert attorneys and litigants to the requirements of Supreme Judicial Court Rule 1:24, Protection of Personal Identifying Information in Publicly Accessible Court Documents (effective November 1, 2016). Under that rule, unless there is an exception, personal identifying information, such as social security numbers, parent's birth surname, and financial account numbers, may not be included in documents filed in court unless redacted.