

MASSACHUSETTS RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

Rule 84. Forms

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In 2016, Rule 84 was repealed and the related Appendix of Forms was deleted from the Massachusetts Rules of Civil Procedure. Prior to repeal, Rule 84 provided in part: “The forms contained in the Appendix of Forms are sufficient under the rules and are intended to indicate the simplicity and brevity of statement which the rules contemplate.”

Many of the forms in the Appendix of Forms are out of date, and the Appendix is not widely used in its current form. In addition, the value of the Appendix of Forms has been diminished with the availability of a multiplicity of forms that are accessible on the website of the Massachusetts court system and from a variety of sources on-line.

For similar reasons, Rule 84 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the federal Appendix of Forms were likewise repealed in 2015.