

**SUPPLEMENTAL INDIVIDUAL PRACTICES FOR MARITIME CASES
JUDGE PAUL G. GARDEPHE**

Unless otherwise ordered, these Supplemental Individual Practices apply to all cases assigned to the Honorable Paul G. Gardephe in which a party seeks an order under Rule B or Rule E of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims. Counsel should also be familiar with Judge Gardephe's Individual Practices for Civil Cases.

- A. In cases concerning a maritime contract, the party requesting a Rule B attachment order should provide Chambers with a copy of the contract at issue.
- B. If the amount the party seeks to attach under Rule B includes security for the costs and legal fees associated with litigating or arbitrating the underlying claim, the party should submit legal authority supporting its request, except in the case of a London arbitration. In all such cases (including in cases involving a London arbitration), the party should provide a basis for allowing the attachment for interest at the requested rate for the requested number of years, and for allowing the attachment for costs and attorneys' fees in the requested amount.
- C. A party relying on foreign legal authority in support of any aspect of a request to issue or vacate a Rule B attachment order must provide a courtesy copy (in English) of the cited authority.
- D. In cases where the Part I judge has issued a sealing order, the plaintiff should provide Chambers with a copy of the sealing order and copies of any documents it submitted in support of the sealing request. Requests for continued sealing must be supported by particularized allegations justifying such relief, such as allegations suggesting that the named defendant is likely to abscond from the District with attachable assets absent a sealing order.
- E. The documents and information described above may be provided by hand at the time the complaint and attachment request are brought to Chambers, or by hand or fax by the close of the next business day. Any supplemental affidavit provided to the Court must also be filed via ECF.
- F. Judge Gardephe's practice is to issue his own attachment orders rather than sign proposed orders submitted by litigants. Counsel should carefully review any attachment order that is issued, including the amount the party is authorized to attach, and ensure that the writ issued by the Clerk's Office conforms to the Court's order.