
MEMORANDUM



DATE: December 17, 2008

TO: Attorneys Admitted to Practice in the Northern District of Georgia

FROM: John T. Shope, District Court Executive
James N. Hatten, Clerk of Court

SUBJECT: *NEW ATTORNEY PHOTO IDENTIFICATION CARD*

Our court has approved an attorney photo identification system that will allow attorneys who are members of our Bar the option of applying for and receiving photo identification that will allow them to bring cellular telephones with cameras and other electronic equipment into the federal courthouses without a court order.

Attorneys issued these photo I.D.'s will continue to be required to go through security screening, but their cellular telephones and other electronic equipment will not be retained at the security checkpoint.

OBTAINING AN ATTORNEY I.D.

Members of the Northern District Bar may apply for this special photo I.D. at the court's Human Resources Office located in Room 2013 of the Richard B. Russell Building/U.S. Courthouse after January 15, 2009.

An application form, which will include an acknowledgment that the attorney has read the court's Local Rules prohibiting cameras from being used on the court floors and prohibiting the broadcasting of court proceedings, will be presented to the Human Resources Office. An accompanying application fee of \$35.00, by check made payable to: "Clerk, United States District Court," is also required to cover production costs.

Once the application is approved, the Human Resources Office will escort the attorney to the U.S. Marshal's I.D. Section where the badge will be produced. The photo I.D. badge will be valid for a period of two years and will remain the property of the U.S. Marshal Service.