

***IN THE SUPREME COURT, STATE OF WYOMING***

***October Term, A.D. 2021***

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***In the Matter of Amendments to*** )  
***Rules 4, 16, and 77 of the Wyoming*** )  
***Rules of Civil Procedure for the*** )  
***Chancery Court*** )

**ORDER AMENDING RULES 4, 16, AND 77 OF THE WYOMING  
RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR THE CHANCERY COURT**

**The Chancery Court Committee** has recommended the Court amend Rules 4, 16, and 77 of the Wyoming Rules of Civil Procedure for the Chancery Court. This Court finds the proposed amendments should be adopted. It is, therefore,

**ORDERED** that the amendments to Rules 4, 16, and 77 of the Wyoming Rules of Civil Procedure for the Chancery Court, attached hereto, be, and hereby are adopted by the Court to be effective May 1, 2022; and it is further

**ORDERED** that this order and the attached amendments be published in the advance sheets of the Pacific Reporter; the attached amendments be published in the Wyoming Court Rules Volume; and that this order and the attached amendments be published online at the Wyoming Judicial Branch’s website, <http://www.courts.state.wy.us>, on the “Rule Amendments” page. The amendments shall also be recorded in the journal of this Court.

**DATED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

**BY THE COURT:**

/s/

**KATE M. FOX**  
**Chief Justice**

## Wyoming Rules of Civil Procedure for the Chancery Court

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### Rule 4. Summons.

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(s) *Proof of Service.* \*\*\*\*\*

(1) *In General.* Plaintiff shall instruct ~~T~~the person serving the process ~~shall~~ to make proof of service and return it to plaintiff for prompt filing with the ~~thereof to the~~ chancery court ~~promptly~~ and within the time during which the person served must respond to the process.

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### Rule 16. Pretrial Conferences; Scheduling; Management.

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(b) *Scheduling.* \*\*\*\*\*

(2) *Time to Issue.* The judge or magistrate must issue the scheduling order as soon as practicable, but unless the judge or magistrate finds good cause for delay, the judge or magistrate must issue it within ~~the earlier of~~ 14 days after any defendant has been served with the initial pleading or 10 days after any defendant has appeared or files an answer or other response to plaintiff's initial pleading.

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### Rule 77. Chancery Courts and Clerks; Notice of an Order or Judgment.

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(e) *Electronic Filing and Service of Orders or Judgments.* A chancery court judge or his or her authorized staff may electronically file and serve orders, judgments, and other court-initiated documents through the electronic filing system. Such electronic service constitutes the service required under Rule 77(d) for electronic filing system users.

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