RALJ 2.5 TIME ALLOWED TO INITIATE APPEAL BY FILING NOTICE

(a) **Time Allowed To File Notice of Appeal.** Except as provided in section (c), a notice of appeal must be filed within 30 days after the date of entry of the final decision which the party filing the notice seeks to appeal.

(b) Date of Entry Defined. If the final decision of the court of limited jurisdiction is oral and evidenced solely by a writing in the court record, the date of entry is the date the writing was placed in the record. If the final decision is by a writing signed by the court of limited jurisdiction, the date of entry is the date of delivery of the writing signed by the judge to the clerk for filing. If the decision is entered other than at a regularly scheduled and noticed hearing, the date of entry of the decision for a party is 3 days after the court of limited jurisdiction mails a notice to that party advising the party of both the court's decision and of the date that decision was written in the court record or the date that decision was delivered to the clerk for filing.

(c) Subsequent Notice by Other Parties. If a timely notice of appeal is filed by a party, any other party seeking relief from the decision must file a notice of appeal within the later of (1) 7 days after service of the notice of appeal filed by the other party, or (2) the time within which a notice of appeal must be filed as provided in section (a).

(d) Effect of Premature Notice of Appeal. A notice of appeal filed after the announcement of a decision but before entry of the final decision will be treated as filed on the day following entry of the decision.

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