

Special Rules of Practice for the Minnesota Court of Appeals

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Opinions state the nature of the case and the reasons for the decision. The panel will decide at its conference whether to issue a precedential opinion. The decision on the form of the written opinion is guided by Minn. R. Civ. App. P. 136.01, subd. 1(b). Opinions designated as nonprecedential, opinions previously designated as unpublished, and order opinions may be cited for persuasive value or as authorized by rule 136.01.

If any counsel intends at an oral argument to refer to an opinion that was not previously cited in a party's brief, counsel must give written notice to the court and other counsel at least 48 hours before the oral argument. If unpublished or nonprecedential opinions are cited in a brief or other written submission, copies must be provided to any self-represented litigants, to counsel, or to the court only if specifically requested.

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