

Rule 2.17

**FINDINGS**

In all actions in which findings are required, the prevailing party shall, unless the Court otherwise directs, prepare a draft of the findings and conclusions of law within five (5) days after the rendition of the decision of the Court if the decision was in the presence of counsel, and otherwise within five (5) days after notice of the decision. The draft of the findings and conclusions of law shall be filed with the Clerk and served upon the adverse party. The adverse party shall within five (5) days thereafter file with the Clerk, and serve upon his or her adversary, such proposed objections, amendments, or additions to the findings as he may desire. The findings shall thereafter be deemed submitted and shall be settled by the Court and shall then be signed and filed. No judgments shall be entered in actions in which findings of fact and conclusions of law are required until the findings and conclusions have been settled and filed. A failure to file proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law and to take the necessary steps to procure the settlement thereof may be grounds for dismissal of the action for want of prosecution or for granting judgment against either party.