

P R E F A C E

This volume contains the rules prescribing the practice and procedure in the United States Court of International Trade, successor to the United States Customs Court.

The Rules of the United States Court of International Trade, necessary to implement the Customs Court Acts of 1980, are styled, numbered and arranged to the maximum extent practicable in conformity with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedures. Additions, deletions and modifications to and from the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure have been made where required. Pursuant to Title 28 U.S.C. § 2641, the Federal Rules of Evidence shall apply to all civil actions in the Court of International Trade except as provided in section 2639 or in section 2641(b) of that Title, or in the Rules of the Court.

The principal statutory provisions pertaining to the United States Court of International Trade are contained in the following sections of Title 28 of the United States Code:

Organization	Chapter 11	Sections 251 to 257
Jurisdiction	Chapter 95	Sections 1581 to 1585
Procedure	Chapter 169	Sections 2631 to 2647

Practice comments are included following certain rules to which they relate. The practice comments, prepared by the clerk of the court, are intended solely to provide information about the content and processing of papers filed in the office of the clerk. They do not represent, nor can they be used as, official interpretations of the rules.

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