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REGULATORY ALERT



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COURT OF APPEALS AMENDS RULES ON BODY ATTACHMENTS

On May 16, 2019, Maryland's Court of Appeals approved amendments to Rules 2-633 and 3-633 of the Maryland Rules of Procedure, regarding body attachments. The revised rules will take effect July 1, 2019.

The revised rules require that any order to appear for examination requested by a judgment creditor specify that failure to appear may result in the issuance of a body attachment directing a law enforcement officer to take the person served into custody and bring that person before the court.

They further state that no body attachment shall be issued unless the court determines that the person to whom the order to appear was directed was personally served with the order in accordance with applicable rules, or that the person has been willfully evading service.

The revised rules may be found on pages 15-16 and 20-21 of [this Rules Order](#).

Questions regarding this advisory may be sent to Jedd Bellman, Assistant Commissioner of Financial Regulation, by telephone at (410) 230-6390 or by email at jedd.bellman@maryland.gov.