

1 **Rule 24A. Briefs in cross-appeals.**

2 **(a) Party designation.** The party first filing a notice of appeal is the appellant.
3 The party filing a second or subsequent notice of appeal is the cross-appellant. The
4 parties may change the designation of parties by stipulation filed with the court, or the
5 court may order a different designation of parties. Each party is entitled to file two briefs.

6 **(b) Appellant’s principal brief.** The appellant must file a principal brief that presents
7 the issues raised in the appeal.

8 **(c) Cross-appellant’s principal brief.** The cross-appellant must then file one brief,
9 that first responds to the appellant’s issues raised in the appeal and then, in the same
10 brief, presents the issues raised in the cross-appeal. The brief may include a single
11 introduction, statement of the issue, statement of the case, and conclusion.

12 **(d) Appellant’s reply brief.** The appellant may then file one brief that first replies to
13 the cross-appellant’s response to the issues raised in the appeal and then responds to the
14 issues raised in the cross-appeal.

15 **(e) Cross-appellant’s reply brief.** The cross-appellant may file a reply brief that replies
16 to the appellant’s response to the issues raised in cross-appeal.

17 **(f) No further briefs.** No further briefs may be filed except with leave of the appellate
18 court.

19 **(g) Length of briefs.**

20 **(g)(1)** Unless a brief complies with the following page limits, it must comply
21 with the following word limits:

<u>Type of brief</u>	<u>Page limit</u>	<u>Word limit</u>
<u>Appellant’s principal brief</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>14,000</u>
<u>Cross-appellant’s principal brief</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>21,000</u>
<u>Appellant’s reply brief</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>14,000</u>
<u>Cross-appellant’s reply brief</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7,000</u>

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26 **(g)(2)** Headings, footnotes, and quotations count toward the page or word limit,
27 but the table of contents, table of authorities, and addendum do not.

28 **(h) Applicability of Rule 24.** Except as provided in this rule, Rule 24 applies to

briefs in a cross-appeal.

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