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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES REGULATING THE FLORIDA BAR - MISCELLANEOUS

CASE NO. SC22-

PETITION TO AMEND THE RULES REGULATING THE FLORIDA BAR

The Florida Bar (the bar) petitions this Court for an order amending the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar and states:

Jurisdictional Statement

This petition has been authorized by the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar (Board of Governors) under R. Regulating Fla. Bar 1-12.1.

Organization of Amendments

The bar proposes new rules or amendments to existing rules as indicated in the listing that follows. The bar is filing 4 petitions simultaneously that include rules amendments approved by the Board of Governors after submission of the last biennial petition in October 2020. The petitions are separated by topic: amendments relating to lawyer discipline, amendments to the lawyer advertising rules in subchapter 4-7, amendments relating to the Board of Specialization and Legal Education, and miscellaneous amendments. This petition contains the miscellaneous amendments. This section provides information regarding development of these rules proposals as required by Part III of this

Court's June 14, 2006 administrative order number AOSC 06-14, *In Re: Guidelines for Rules Submissions*. Each entry provides the following information: an explanation of each amendment; the reasons for each recommended change; the sources of each proposal; the names of groups or individuals who commented or collaborated on a proposal during its development; voting records of pertinent committees and the Board of Governors; and dissenting views within the Board of Governors, if any, regarding each submission. Amendments solely to comply with the non-substantive requirements of the *Guidelines* above are generally not noted in the petition.

Some rules were the subject of multiple proposed revisions that were considered at different times. When that occurred, those amendments are reported as separate items to better reflect the distinctive aspects of their development.

Amendments

CHAPTER 1 GENERAL
1-3 MEMBERSHIP
Rule 1-3.5 RETIREMENT

Explanation: Amendments re-organize the rule into subdivisions and add new subdivisions (b)(2) and (b)(3) that require retired lawyers to affirmatively state their retired status when they indicate Florida Bar membership and prohibit retired lawyers from holding themselves out as able to practice Florida law unless they are certified as emeritus lawyers.

Reasons: The bar has received inquiries from bar members who are retired about the use of "esquire" or other indicia of being a lawyer. The amendments would add that lawyers who have elected official retirement status must indicate that retired status if they indicate they are lawyers or Florida Bar members, consistent with requirements for inactive members in rule 1-3.2(b)(3). The amendments will avoid any confusion by the public, who might otherwise believe retired members are eligible to practice law, when retired members indicate their Florida Bar status. The Board of

Governors received comments from the Senior Lawyer Committee, which proposed further study of the proposal before going forward. The bar's staff responded to specific questions of the Senior Lawyer Committee. The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of its Rules Committee, voted to approve the amendments despite the recommended delay by the Senior Lawyer Committee, as the board believed that the responses to specific questions did not impact this proposal and that further delay would contribute to continued confusion in Florida Bar members wishing to retire and the public.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 4-0 on a substantive and procedural basis on July 22, 2021.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact on August 12, 2021.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 20-0 on a strategic basis on September 30, 2021.
- Rules Committee reviewed comments by the Senior Lawyer Committee, which proposed further study including study on rules relating to emeritus lawyers in Chapter 12 of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar before going forward with this proposal, and voted 6-0 to go forward with proposed changes on December 6, 2021.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on January 21, 2022.

Rule 1-3.7 REINSTATEMENT TO MEMBERSHIP

Explanation: Within subdivision (f), adds trust account compliance certification, deletes language regarding relation back, and adds that the member is not in violation of the rules for practicing law during the initial delinquency period if the member clears the delinquency within 60 days.

Reasons: The changes would treat completion of the annual trust account certificate as an administrative delinquency the same as failure to pay membership fees or completion of continuing legal education or basic skills course requirements. Thus, a lawyer

would not be subject to discipline if the lawyer removes the delinquency within 60 days by filing the trust account certificate. The rule currently contains language stating that the effective date of reinstatement relates back to the date of delinquency; however, that is inconsistent with current Florida Bar practice, because the bar keeps the date of delinquency and also keeps records that show when the delinquency was removed. However, the bar does not discipline lawyers who clear their delinquency within the first 60 days. To address the bar's current practice, the language on "relation back" is recommended for removal, but the bar also recommends adding that the member is not in violation of bar rules for practicing law if the member clears the delinquency within 60 days so that aspect of the rule will not change.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Disciplinary Procedure Committee approved on substantive basis 6-0 on January 28, 2021.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 17-0 on strategic basis on March 4, 2021.
- Additional changes to subdivision (f) to reflect current bar practice were proposed by the bar's chief financial officer.
- Disciplinary Procedure Committee approved additional changes 5-0 on May 20, 2021.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact on June 23, 2021.
  Rules Committee approved 4-0 on a procedural basis on July 22, 2021.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on December 3, 2021.

CHAPTER 2 BYLAWS OF THE FLORIDA BAR
2-9 POLICIES AND RULES

BYLAW 2-9.7 INSURANCE FOR MEMBERS OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS, OFFICERS, GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, UPL COMMITTEE MEMBERS, CLIENTS' SECURITY FUND COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND EMPLOYEES

Explanation: Adds former board members, officers, grievance committee, unlicensed practice of law, clients' security fund committee members, and former employees to those covered by the bar's insurance and indemnification for acts committed in their capacity doing bar work.

Reasons: The changes would ensure that those no longer serving in their bar capacity will still be covered by insurance or indemnification provided by the bar for actions taken while acting on behalf of the bar in their official capacity.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 6-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 22, 2021.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 19-0 on a strategic basis on May 21, 2021.
- Board of Governors first reading on May 21, 2021.
- The bar's chief financial officer agrees with de minimis fiscal impact on June 23, 2021.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 23, 2021.

CHAPTER 4 RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT
4-1 CLIENT-LAWYER RELATIONSHIP

RULE 4-1.6 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

Summary: Removes "to another" in subdivision (b)(2).

Reasons: The proposed amendment makes clear that the mandatory disclosure of confidential information to prevent death or substantial bodily harm includes death of or substantial bodily harm to the client. The rule as written is unclear, and the bar's Ethics Hotline has received calls where a client intends to harm him or herself. Removing the language "to another" would make clear

the bar member must disclose confidential information by reporting to the appropriate authority where the lawyer has confidential information the disclosure of which would prevent death or substantial bodily harm to anyone, including the client. The change would also be more consistent with American Bar Association Model Rule 1.6.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 4-0 on substantive and procedural basis on October 14, 2021.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on October 27, 2021.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 19-0 on a strategic basis on December 2, 2021.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on January 21, 2022.

RULE 4-1.6 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

Summary: Proposed amendments add new subdivision (c)(7) to permit a lawyer to disclose information reasonably necessary to respond to specific allegations published via the internet by a former client (e.g., a negative online review) that the lawyer has engaged in criminal conduct punishable by law, and adds similar commentary addressing the issue.

Reasons: The bar's Professional Ethics Committee proposed this amendment, believing that this strikes an appropriate balance regarding concerns of lawyers that negative online reviews that are not truthful are proliferating and creating reputational issues for lawyers, and the lawyer's obligations to preserve confidential information relating to a client's representation. This very narrow exception allows a lawyer to respond only to a negative online allegation by a former client that the lawyer has engaged in criminal conduct. A lawyer would not be able to respond to any online allegations by a current client, to avoid a conflict of interest in the current lawyer-client relationship. The lawyer would only be able to disclose a minimal amount of information to respond to a specific

allegation of criminal wrongdoing. A lawyer would not be able to respond to a former client's allegations that fall short of an allegation of specific criminal wrongdoing.

Source: Professional Ethics Committee

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Professional Ethics Committee approved 35-0 on March 23, 2021.
- Board Review Committee on Professional Ethics approved 11-0 on May 20, 2021.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on June 24, 2021.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 12-0 on a strategic basis on July 22, 2021.
- Rules Committee approved 5-0 with style edits on August 25, 2021.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on December 3, 2021.

4-3 ADVOCATE

RULE 4-3.8 SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF A PROSECUTOR

Summary: Within the commentary, proposed amendments remove references to American Bar Association Standards of Criminal Justice Relating to Prosecution Function.

Reasons: Professor Randolph Braccialarghe raised this issue with bar staff because he believes The Florida Bar never adopted the American Bar Association Standards of Criminal Justice Relating to Prosecution Function. Bar staff could find no record that The Florida Bar ever adopted the American Bar Association Standards of Criminal Justice Relating to Prosecution Function. Rather, it appeared that the bar adopted the commentary of the American Bar Association Model Rule 3.8, which included the reference. Therefore, the comment seems to be inaccurate and should be removed.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 7, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

CHAPTER 5 RULES REGULATING TRUST ACCOUNTS
5-1 GENERALLY

RULE 5-1.1 TRUST ACCOUNTS

Summary: Within subdivision (g)(1)(E) and (g)(5)(A), adds business or consumer money market account or sub account, any business or consumer savings account or sub account without a maturity date. Within subdivision (g)(5)(B), adds that eligible institutions must provide a minimum interest rate for IOTA accounts and creates minimum interest rates tied to specific indexed rate points.

Reasons: Regarding the definitions in (g)(1)(E), the definition is expanded to include all possible accounts that can be used as trust accounts. Regarding subdivisions and (g)(5)(A), the rule is expanded to include additional comparable accounts to ensure the highest possible interest is available for IOTA accounts. Regarding subdivision (g)(5)(B), the requirement for IOTA accounts is changed so that eligible institutions must tie interest rates for IOTA accounts to specific indexed rate points with the hope of raising current IOTA account interest rates. Twenty-five other states contain a benchmark provision for IOTA accounts.

Source: Board of Governors

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Disciplinary Procedure Committee approved 5-0 on a substantive basis on December 3, 2020.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on January 15, 2021.

- Rules Committee approved on a procedural basis with non-substantive style changes on January 22, 2021.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 20-0 on strategic basis on January 28, 2021.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved 45-0 on March 5, 2021.

CHAPTER 11. RULES GOVERNING THE LAW SCHOOL PRACTICE PROGRAM
11-1 GENERAL
RULE 11-1.1 PURPOSE

Summary: Non-substantive style changes only.

Reasons: Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.2 ACTIVITIES

Summary: Deletes subdivision (f) regarding determination of indigency.

Reasons: Subdivision (f) regarding determination of indigency is recommended for deletion because there is guidance for lawyers on determining indigency in the comment to Rule 4-6.1, indigency is defined in state statutes, and lawyers can look to that guidance rather than having the board and a local entity set the standards for indigency, which could lead to inconsistency.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.3 REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS

Summary: Non-substantive style changes only.

Reasons: Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.4 CERTIFICATION OF STUDENT

Summary: Non-substantive style changes only.

Reasons: Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.5 APPROVAL OF LEGAL AID ORGANIZATION

Summary: Non-substantive style changes only.

Reasons: Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.6 OTHER ACTIVITIES

Summary: Non-substantive style changes only.

Reasons: Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.

- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.7 SUPERVISION

Summary: Non-substantive style changes only.

Reasons: Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.8 Miscellaneous

Summary: The rule is deleted in its entirety as it is unnecessary.

Reasons: The rule unnecessarily addresses unlicensed practice of law and this subchapter's lack of effect on the unlicensed practice of law by its adoption.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.

- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.9

Summary: Renumbers the rule to Rule 11-1.8. Contains other non-substantive style changes.

Reasons: Renumbers to Rule 11-1.8 because 11-1.8 is being deleted in its entirety. Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

RULE 11-1.10

Summary: Renumbers the rule to Rule 11-1.9. Contains other non-substantive style changes.

Reasons: Renumbers to Rule 11-1.9 because 11-1.8 is being deleted in its entirety. Non-substantive changes are proposed to comply with this Court's Guidelines on Rules Submissions, Administrative Order AOSC06-14, June 14, 2006.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 6, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

CHAPTER 19 CENTER FOR PROFESSIONALISM
RULE 19-1.5 RELATIONSHIP TO THE SUPREME COURT COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONALISM

Summary: Deletes rule in its entirety.

Reasons: This Court issued an order disbanding the Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and Civility on March 12, 2019, in *In re: Florida Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and Civility,* Administrative Order No. AOSC19-12. The rule is therefore obsolete.

Source: Bar staff

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Rules Committee approved 6-0 on a substantive and procedural basis on October 1, 2019.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on November 21, 2019.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved on a strategic basis on December 5, 2019.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on consent on January 31, 2020.

CHAPTER 20 FLORIDA REGISTERED PARALEGAL PROGRAM
20-5 INELIGIBILITY FOR REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL
RULE 20-5.1 GENERALLY

Summary: Adds subdivision (h) to include a character and fitness evaluation.

Reasons: Including a character and fitness provision like that for lawyers in rule 4-8.4 allows the Florida Registered Paralegal

Compliance Committee to deem someone unfit after a thorough investigation has been conducted as to whether an applicant possesses the professional standard or integrity expected of a Florida Registered Paralegal during the application or reapplication process.

Source: Florida Registered Paralegal Eligibility and Compliance Committee

Background Information – Member Commentary / Committee Action:

- Florida Registered Paralegal Compliance Committee voted 6-0 to approve on January 28, 2022.
- Rules Committee approved 5-0 on a substantive and procedural basis on March 30, 2022.
- The bar's chief financial officer agreed with de minimis fiscal impact assessment on April 7, 2022.
- Program Evaluation Committee approved 14-0 on a strategic basis on May 19, 2022.

Board Action: Board of Governors approved on voice vote without objection on July 29, 2022.

Official Notice of Amendments

The bar's official notice of intent to file all the proposals in this petition was published in the September 1 issue of the bar *News* as required by R. Regulating Fla. Bar 1-12.1(g). A copy of the notice including the extracted text in legislative format published on the bar's website is included with this petition in Appendix C. The online notice can also be found at:

https://www.floridabar.org/the-florida-bar-news/biennial-florida-bar-rules-proposals-2/

Discrepancy with Thomson Reuters' Florida Rules of Court

During the preparation of this petition, the bar noted discrepancies between the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar as maintained by the bar and the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar as published in Thomson Reuters' *Florida Rules of Court*. The bar has notified the publisher, which has indicated that the errors will be corrected.

- In Rule 1-3.7(b), "be" needs to be deleted after "not be" in the fourth sentence.
- In Rule 4-3.8, the rule title is not in all capitals and the first lettered subdivisions are not bolded.
- In Rules 11-1.3, 11-1.4, 11-1.5, and 11-1.7, not all of the first lettered subdivisions are bold.

Editorial Corrections and Request for Waiver of Rules Procedures

During the preparation of this petition, the bar detected 2 minor editorial errors within proposals as officially noticed. These editorial errors were not reviewed by the Board of Governors but were made under the authority granted to bar staff to correct errors in this Court's administrative order AOSC06-14, dated June 14, 2006, *In re Guidelines for Rules Submissions*. These 2 editorial errors were corrected in the extracted text in legislative format published in the official bar *News* notice online. The editorial corrections are noted in the right-hand column of Appendix B and listed here:

- Rule 1-3.5 – striking "be" before "eligible"; and
- Rule 5-1.1(g)(3) striking "such" to remove legalese to comply with this Court's *Guidelines on Rules Submissions,* above.

The bar submits that these deviations from the requirements of R. Regulating Fla. Bar 1-12.1 are minimal and the amendments

themselves are non-controversial. The bar therefore requests that this Court accept these additional edits and waive Board of Governors approval under R. Regulating Fla. Bar 1-12.1(i).

All other requested amendments in this petition were promulgated in full compliance with applicable rules and policies.

Other Pending Amendments

There is 1 pending petition involving amendments to Rules Regulating the Florida Bar: *In re Amendments to Rules Regulating the Florida Bar- Chapter 23 Registered Online Service Provider Program,* Case No. SC19-2077, filed December 12, 2019. The amendments in that petition are solely to propose new Chapter 23 of the Rules Regulating The Florida, there are no amendments to proposed Chapter 23 in this petition, and the 2 petitions may be considered independently of each another.

Contents of Appendices

The complete text of all proposals is included in Appendix A to this petition in legislative format (deleted language struck through, shown first, followed by new language underlined).

A separate two-column presentation follows in Appendix B, which includes extracted text of affected rules with proposed amendments in legislative format and an abbreviated recitation of the reasons for the changes.

The notice of intent to file this petition is provided in Appendix C.

Background information and comments are provided in Appendix D. The Senior Lawyers Committee commented on proposed amendment to Rule 1-3.5, requesting delay, with which the Board of Governors disagreed. *See* D-2. American Bar

Association Model Rule 1.6 regarding confidentiality was considered in the amendments to Rule 4-1.6. *See* D-7. A comparison chart listing states which contain a benchmark requirement for IOTA accounts was considered in the amendments to Rule 5-1.1. *See* D-8.

Oral Argument Not Requested

The bar does not seek oral argument regarding these amendments unless this Court orders oral argument or bar members file comments that require additional response or appearance by the bar.

Effective Date Request

The bar requests that any amendments in response to this petition be made effective no sooner than 60 days from the date of this Court's order so that the bar can educate its members regarding any amendments.

The bar requests that this Court enter an order amending the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar as requested in this petition.

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CERTIFICATE OF READ-AGAINST

The Rules Regulating The Florida Bar were amended on June 2, 2022, effective August 1, 2022, in SC20-1467 *(In re: Amendments to the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar- Biennial Petition*). The most recent copy of Thomson Reuters contains amendments up to February 15, 2022. For that reason, rules 1-7.3 and 20-5.1 were read against the court's order.

I certify that the other Rules Regulating the Florida Bar in this petition have been read against the most recent copy of *Thomson Reuter's Florida Rules of Court*.

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