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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 89-R-99011-SCT

IN RE: COMMISSION ON MANDATORY CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

ORDER

This matter is before the Court en banc on the petition to amend Rule 3 and Regulation 3.12.1 of the Mississippi Rules and Regulations for Mandatory Continuing Legal Education filed by the Mississippi Bar. The Bar requests that the rules and regulations be amended to provide one (1) hour of ethics/professionalism credit to members of the Bar's Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee. Having considered the petition, the Court finds that the amendments, as hereinafter set forth, will promote the fair and effective administration of justice and that they should be adopted as set forth herein after.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the petition to amend Rule 3 and Regulation 3.12.1 of the Mississippi Rules and Regulations for Mandatory Continuing Legal Education filed by the Mississippi Bar is hereby granted. Regulation 3.12.1 of the Mississippi Rules and Regulations for Mandatory Continuing Legal Education is amended, effective July 1, 2009, as set forth in Exhibit A, hereto.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall enter this order on the minutes of the Court and that a true certified copy be forwarded to West Publishing Company for publication in the Southern Reporter Third (Mississippi Edition) and the Mississippi Rules of Court.

SO ORDERED, this the <u>26th</u> day of May, 2009.

/s/ Michael K. Randolph

MICHAEL K. RANDOLPH, JUSTICE FOR THE COURT

NOT PARTICIPATING: GRAVES, P.J.

TO DENY: KITCHENS, J.

Exhibit A

RULE 3. CLE REQUIREMENT

Regulations

3.12.1 Credit may be earned through service as a member of the Committee on Professional Responsibility, as a member of the Ethics Committee, <u>as a member of the Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee</u>, or as a member of the Professionalism Committee of the Mississippi Bar. A member of the Committee on Professional Responsibility, the Ethics Committee, <u>the Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee</u>, or the Professionalism Committee will be awarded a maximum of one (1) hour of CLE ethics/professionalism credit per CLE year for service on those committees.

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[Amended effective August 1, 1995; amended January, 1998; Regulations 3.3 and 3.6 amended effective December 9, 2004, to provide for approved online programs; Regulation 3.12.1 adopted effective December 9, 2004 to allow credit for service on Committee on Professional Responsibility and Ethics Committee of the Mississippi Bar; amended effective January 25, 2007, to add professionalism as an option for CLE credit; amended effective August 1, 2008, to increase the number of hours allowed for telephone seminars and online programs; <u>amended effective July 1, 2009 to allow one (1) hour of CLE ethics/professionalism credit for service on the Mississippi Bar's Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee.]</u>