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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI
No. 89-R-99026-SCT

***IN RE: AUTHORIZATION OF COURT ANNEXED MEDIATION
IN CHANCERY, CIRCUIT AND COUNTY COURTS***

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the request to amend Section X of the Court Annexed Mediation Rules for Civil Litigation submitted by the Mississippi Bar. The Mississippi Bar asks the Court to revise the composition of the Court Annexed Mediation Committee. After due consideration, the Court finds the request should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the request to amend Section X of the Court Annexed Mediation Rules for Civil Litigation submitted by the Mississippi Bar is hereby granted. Section X is amended as set forth in Exhibit A to this Order.

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

SO ORDERED, this the 22nd day of May, 2009.

/s/ George C. Carlson, Jr.

GEORGE C. CARLSON, JR.,
PRESIDING JUSTICE

TO DENY: KITCHENS, J.
NOT PARTICIPATING: GRAVES, P.J.

Exhibit A

MEDIATION RULES FOR CIVIL LITIGATION

X. ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS CONCERNING MEDIATION

The following procedures will be utilized for the conduct of administrative functions necessary to make mediators available as needed for the referral of cases.

A. The Mississippi Supreme Court assisted by the Mississippi Bar will establish qualifications for inclusion on a list of mediators and prepare such list. The list shall be distributed to all circuit, county and chancery court clerks. The Mississippi Bar staff will provide administrative assistance. An administration fee for inclusion on the list may be established and charged to the approved mediators. Courts and parties are encouraged, but not required, to select mediators from this list.

B. Administration will be conducted through a committee designated the Court Annexed Mediation Committee which will be composed of ~~members appointed by the Supreme Court. The number of members shall be at the discretion of the Court. Three members shall be nominated by the Mississippi Bar. The members will serve three year terms, expiring on December 31 of third year of service~~ the Officers and Executive Committee members of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of The Mississippi Bar, ex officio.

[Amended effective July 1, 2009 to revise the composition of the committee; amended effective January 11, 2007, to increase the term of committee members to three years; amended effective January 26, 2006, to remove limitation of number of members on the Court Annexed Mediation Committee.]