

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

NO. 89-R-99026-SCT

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

ORDER

This matter is before the Court, en banc, on Submission of the Mississippi Bar Pursuant to Rule X.D. of Court Annexed Mediation Rules for Civil Litigation seeking the establishment of qualifications for inclusion on a list of mediators. Such submission is supplemented by letter of Harold D. Miller, Jr. to the Chief Justice which contained the proposed qualifications as recommended by the Court Annexed Mediation Committee which would, at present, limit those to be included on the list to members of the Mississippi Bar in good standing and who have completed mediation training of at least 14-16 hours at one training session administered by a training organization approved by the Court Annexed Mediation Committee. Having considered the proposal, the Court finds that the adoption of such qualifications is desirable and in the interest of the fair and efficient administration of justice.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the following qualifications are hereby established for inclusion on the list of mediators referenced in Rule X.D. of Court Annexed Mediation Rules for Civil Litigation:

A person desiring to be enrolled on the list of mediators must be a member of the Mississippi Bar in good standing who has completed mediation training of at least 2 days of 14-16 hours at one training session administered by a training organization approved by the Court Annexed Mediation Committee.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall spread this Order upon the minutes of the Court and shall submit a true, certified copy hereof to West Publishing Company for publication in the *Southern Reporter (Mississippi Edition)* and *The Mississippi Rules of Court*.

SO ORDERED, this, the _____ day of March, 1999.

EDWIN LLOYD PITTMAN, PRESIDING
JUSTICE, FOR THE COURT

MCRAE, J., NOT PARTICIPATING