

**PURSUANT TO RULE 27(f) OF THE MISSISSIPPI RULES OF APPELLATE
PROCEDURE, THE RULES COMMITTEE ON PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE SEEKS
COMMENTS FROM THE BENCH, THE BAR AND THE PUBLIC ON THE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RULE X OF
THE MEDIATION RULES FOR CIVIL LITIGATION**

**Comments should be filed with the Clerk of the Supreme Court, Gartin Justice Building,
P.O. Box 117, Jackson, MS 39205, no later than May 29, 2009**

**COURT ANNEXED 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.

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[Amended effective July 1, 2009, to provide that the Court Annexed Mediation Committee will be composed of the Officers and Executive Committee members of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the Mississippi Bar; 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.]