

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

ORDER

Acting in accordance with Article V, Sections 1 and 5 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and the inherent power of this Court, and considering the need to amend the Rules for Continuing Legal Education,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

Part I. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Rule 1(a) is amended to read as follows:

Rule 1. CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- (a) The Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Committee (hereinafter “Committee”) shall consist of nine members. Five of the members shall be sitting or retired judges or attorneys and shall be appointed by the Court. Four of the members shall be attorneys appointed by the Louisiana State Bar Association.

Part II. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Rule 1(b) is repealed.

Part III. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Rule 1(c) is redesignated as Rule 1(b) and shall be amended to read as follows:

- (b) Initial appointments of Committee members following the 2006 amendments to these rules shall be for

staggered terms. Thereafter, Committee members shall be appointed for three year terms of office. No appointee shall serve more than two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms. An appointment to fill any vacancies due to the death, resignation or disability of a member shall be for the unexpired term only.

Part IV. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Rule 1(d) is redesignated as Rule 1(c).

Part V. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Regulation 1.1 is amended to read as follows:

Regulation 1.1. One of the Committee members shall be designated by the Court to chair the work of the Committee. The Committee shall, by majority vote of its members, elect a vice-chair and a secretary for such term(s) as the Committee shall designate.

Part VI. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Regulation 1.4 is amended to read as follows:

Regulation 1.4. Under Rule 7(b), members of the Committee in the performance of their official duties shall be reimbursed for expenses subject to reimbursement policies of the Office of the Judicial Administrator, Supreme Court of Louisiana.

Part VII. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Regulation 1.5 is amended to read as follows:

Regulation 1.5. Staff support for the work of the Committee shall be provided by the Office of the Judicial Administrator, Supreme Court of Louisiana.

Part VIII. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Regulation 4.1(m), second paragraph, is amended to read as follows:

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Credit will not be restored without full payment of the course and a \$50 processing fee. If credits are revoked and a member does not satisfy the annual requirement by the January 31st compliance reporting deadline, then a late compliance fee of \$150 will also be assessed.

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Part IX. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Rule 6(c), first paragraph, is amended to read as follows:

(c) Any Member who fails to timely comply with the requirements of these Rules and Regulations for earning hours by the December 31st deadline or for reporting compliance by the January 31st deadline shall be assessed a delinquency penalty of \$150.

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Part X. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XXX, Rule 7(b) is amended to read as follows:

- (b) Members of the Committee shall not be compensated but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties, in accordance with reimbursement policies of the Office of the Judicial Administrator, Supreme Court of Louisiana.

These rule changes shall become effective on January 1, 2007 and shall remain in full force and effect thereafter, until amended or changed through future Orders of this Court.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this _____ day of _____, 2006.

FOR THE COURT:

Pascal F. Calogero, Jr., Chief Justice