

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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Clerk of the
Appellate Courts

IN RE: AMENDMENT OF TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT
RULE 31(14)(g)

No. ADM2022-01538

ORDER

On November 1, 2022, the Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission (“ADRC”) filed a petition asking this Court to consider adopting an amendment to Rule 31(14)(g) to increase the number of course hours from twelve to sixteen for family mediators who wish to obtain the Specifically Trained in Domestic Violence Issues designation. On November 18, 2022, this Court entered an order inviting the bench, the bar, and the public to submit written comments on the ADRC’s proposal and set a deadline of January 17, 2023. No comments were submitted.

Upon consideration of the ADRC’s petition, the Court hereby adopts the amendment to Rule 31(14)(g) as set out in the appendix to this Order effective June 1, 2023.

The Clerk shall provide a copy of this Order and Appendix to LexisNexis and to Thomson Reuters. In addition, this Order and Appendix shall be posted on the Court’s website.

It is so ORDERED.

PER CURIAM

APPENDIX

Amendment to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 31(14)(g)

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Procedure for Rule 31 Family Mediator’s Additional Designation as “Specially Trained in Domestic Violence Issues.” To obtain a designation as “Specially Trained in Domestic Violence Issues,” the listed Rule 31 Family Mediator must have completed a ~~twelve~~sixteen-hour course on domestic violence issues approved by the procedures outlined in subsection (f) and shall provide to the ADRC proof of attendance at the approved course. The listed Rule 31 Family Mediator may request a waiver of course attendance based upon training and/or experience determined by the ADRC to be substantially equivalent to the ~~twelve~~sixteen hours of domestic violence topics approved by the ADRC.

(END OF APPENDIX)