



**NASHVILLE BAR
ASSOCIATION**

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

**IN RE: PETITION OF THE TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT ACCESS TO JUSTICE
COMMISSION TO AMEND TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RULE 50A**

No. ADM2026-00434

COMMENT OF THE NASHVILLE BAR ASSOCIATION

The Nashville Bar Association is appreciative to the Tennessee Supreme Court for the opportunity to submit a comment regarding the proposed Amendment to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 50A. Please accept this letter as the Nashville Bar Association's responsive comment.

The NBA is in full support of the proposed amendment to Rule 50A. The revisions meaningfully clarify the pro bono emeritus attorney program, better align the Rule with related Tennessee attorney-regulation provisions, and should help expand access to justice for vulnerable Tennesseans.

The NBA expresses appreciation for the diligent work of the Tennessee Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission in thoughtfully reviewing and suggesting improvements to this Rule.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Mr. Hivner,

The NBA respectfully submits the attached comments to the proposed amendments to Rule 50A, Docket Number ADM2026-00434. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you.



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