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# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

## IN RE: AMENDMENTS TO RULE 22 RULES OF THE TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT

No. ADM2018-01896

#### **ORDER**

On October 18, 2018, the Court filed an Order soliciting public comments on proposed amendments to Rule 22 of the Rules of the Tennessee Supreme Court. The deadline for submitting written comments was November 16, 2018. The Court did not receive any written comments during the comment period.

After due consideration, the Court hereby adopts the amendments to Rule 22 of the Rules of the Tennessee Supreme Court as set out in the attached Appendix. The amendments shall take effect immediately upon the filing of this Order.

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

IT IS SO ORDERED.

PER CURIAM

# **APPENDIX**

AMENDMENTS TO TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RULE 22 [New text is indicated by underlining/Deleted text is indicated by striking]

### Rule 22. Appointment of Referees Magistrates in Child Support Cases.

Pursuant to the provisions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-5-402(b)(4), the terms and conditions of the appointment of refereesmagistrates in child support cases, as magistrates are defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-5-401(2), shall be prescribed by rule of the Supreme Court.

When the appointment of a refereemagistrate is required and authorized by the Court, the director of the Administrative Office of the Courts shall so notify the presiding judge of the judicial district (or in counties having a metropolitan form of government, the director shall notify the trial court judge who hears more than 50% of the child support and domestic relations cases in such judicial district) and the appointment shall be made by the presiding judge in conformity with Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-5-402. The appointment of refereesmagistrates in juvenile court shall not be governed by this provision but shall be governed by the provisions of Chapter 1 of Title 37.

The director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, with the approval of the Chief Justice, shall determine the terms and conditions of the appointment of the refereemagistrate for the purpose of hearing child support cases. Such terms and conditions of refereemagistrate appointment, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-5-402(b)(4), shall include, but not be limited to, the rate of compensation to be paid, reimbursement of expenses, and whether the position shall be full time or part time.