IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: PETITION TO AMEND RULE 21, SECTION 4.07 (MENTORING EXPERIENCES)

No. M2010-00913-SC-RL1-RL - Filed: September 21, 2010

ORDER

On April 27, 2010, the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization ("Commission") petitioned the Court to amend Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 21, section 4.07(d). On May 17, 2010, the Court filed an order publishing for public comment the proposed new subsection (d) of Rule 21, section 4.07. The original deadline for submitting written comments concerning the proposed rule expired on August 13, 2010. The Commission has requested an extension of the comment period through December 31, 2010. The Court finds that the motion is well-taken and should be granted.

It is therefore ORDERED that the deadline for submitting public comments on the petition to amend Rule 21, section 4.07(d) is hereby extended until December 31, 2010. A copy of the proposed change is attached again as Appendix A.

PER CURIAM

APPENDIX A

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RULE 21, SECTION 4.07 PUBLISHED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization has petitioned the Supreme Court of Tennessee to amend Rule 21, Section 4.07 by adding the following new subsection (d):

(d) up to 12 hours per year of dual credit for participation as a mentor or mentee in a program meeting standards established by the Commission, including programs sponsored by bar associations, law schools, law firms, or other appropriate governmental or organizational sponsors. To help facilitate establishment of mentoring programs, the Commission is authorized to provide for a program of training for mentors, whether through its own auspices or through those of other organizations, and to charge a reasonable fee for such training. With regard to mentors participating in a mentoring program sponsored by a governmental or non-profit organization, the Commission is authorized to provide such training at no charge.