IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: AMENDMENT OF RULE 7, RULES OF THE TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT

No. ADM2018-01627

ORDER

On April 19, 2018, this Court entered an order soliciting comments with regard to proposed revisions to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 6, which would have required "new attorneys to complete a Tennessee Law Course within one year of admission to the Tennessee bar." The Court received comments and proposals from the Tennessee Board of Law Examiners, the Tennessee Bar Association, the Knoxville Bar Association, and numerous individuals. In addition, the Tennessee Board of Law Examiners submitted a proposal for adopting the Tennessee Law Course as a preadmission requirement under Supreme Court Rule 7. On September 7, 2018, the Court entered an order soliciting additional comments with regard to proposed revisions to Supreme Court Rule 7. The deadline for submitting written comments was Friday, September 28, 2018.

The Court expresses its appreciation for all of the responses, the overwhelming majority of which favored the adoption of a Tennessee Law Course as a preadmission requirement for new applicants to the bar "to provide instruction in specific areas of Tennessee law not addressed by the Uniform Bar Exam." After due consideration, the Court hereby amends the relevant provisions of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 7 as set out in the attachment to this Order. Section 1.07 shall be effective January 1, 2019. All other provisions shall be effective immediately.

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

PER CURIAM