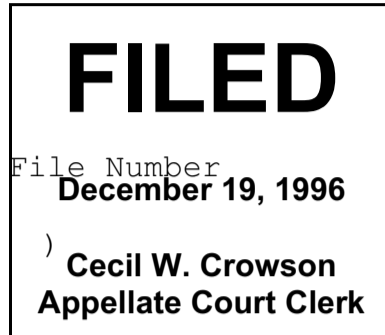


IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

In Re: Amendment to Rule 9 Relative )  
to Attorneys Not In Compliance )  
\_\_\_\_\_ with An Order of Support



ORDER

\_\_\_\_\_The Nashville Bar Association and the Tennessee Bar Associate have filed a joint petition in this Court proposing to amend Rule 9 of the Rules of the Tennessee Supreme Court to add provisions for suspension of an attorney's license if the attorney is not in compliance with a court order of child support.

The petition has been served upon several state and local bar associations. The proposed amendment raises an issue public policy. In the interest of providing prompt and fair consideration of this important issue, the Court solicits response from the bar and the public. Written responses must be filed in the Appellate Court Clerk's Office on or before January 22, 1997. Argument, if deemed appropriate, will be scheduled.

The Clerk is directed to provide a copy of this order to those persons upon whom the petition was served, to the media and to the petitioners.

Ordered this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1996.

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ADOLPHO A. BIRCH, JR.  
CHIEF JUSTICE