

# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

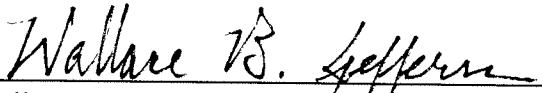
Misc. Docket No. 08- **9048**


## ORDER ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO STATE BAR RULES

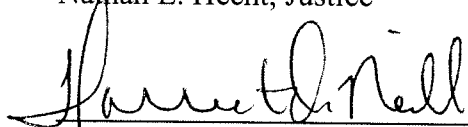
**ORDERED** that:

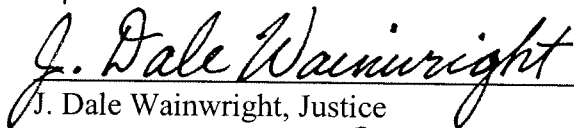
1. The following amendments to Articles I and III of the State Bar Rules, which were approved by the State Bar Board of Directors in substantially similar form on January 25, 2008, are hereby adopted by the Court.
2. These changes, with any modifications made after public comments are received, take effect September 1, 2008. Comments may be submitted to the Court in writing on or before July 31, 2008 and should be directed to: Rules Attorney, P.O. Box 12248, Austin TX 78711, or may be emailed to [rules@courts.state.tx.us](mailto:rules@courts.state.tx.us).
3. The Clerk is directed to:
  - a. file a copy of this Order with the Secretary of State;
  - b. cause a copy of this Order to be mailed to each registered member of the State Bar of Texas by publication in the *Texas Bar Journal*;
  - c. send a copy of this Order to each elected member of the Legislature; and
  - d. cause a copy of this Order to be posted on the website of the Supreme Court of Texas at <http://www.supreme.courts.state.tx.us>.

In Chambers, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

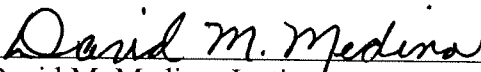
  
Wallace B. Jefferson, Chief Justice


  
Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

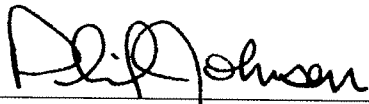
  
Harriet O'Neill, Justice

  
J. Dale Wainwright, Justice

  
Scott Brister, Justice

  
David M. Medina, Justice

  
Paul W. Green, Justice

  
Phil Johnson, Justice

  
Don R. Willett, Justice

## ARTICLE I -- DEFINITIONS

7. "Registered Address" is the address of a member as shown on the membership rolls maintained by the State Bar on behalf of the clerk of the Supreme Court. A member's registered address will be used for receiving official notices from the State Bar including membership compliance information, member benefits, and disciplinary matters.

## ARTICLE III -- MEMBERSHIP

### **SECTION 2. Enrollment in the State Bar**

A. Each person who ~~becomes~~ is licensed to practice law in Texas shall, in accordance with the applicable Supreme Court rules governing admission to the bar, ~~no earlier than ten (10) days prior to~~ and no later than ten (10) days following the date of admission, (i) file with the clerk an enrollment form stating his or her name, permanent place of residence, principal place of practice preferred physical address or post office box, telephone number, facsimile number and e-mail address, and such other information as may be required by the clerk and (ii) pay all fees and assessments then required, and ~~and~~ This filing and payment shall constitute enrollment in the State Bar. The preferred physical address or post office box shall constitute the member's registered address and will be used for receiving official notices from the State Bar, including membership compliance information, member benefits, and disciplinary matters. Residential addresses and phone numbers shall be considered confidential and will not be disclosed to the public unless authorized by the member. If a member designates their residential address as the registered address and does not authorize disclosure to the public, the member must provide an additional alternate address that may be disclosed to members of the public. A member is mandated to notify the State Bar of any change in the information required above within thirty (30) days of such change.