IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 98- 9106

APPROVAL OF A REFERENDUM OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS MEMBERSHIP REGARDING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 1(C) OF THE STATE BAR RULES

ORDERED:

Pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code Ann. §81.024 (Vernon Supp. 1997) the Supreme Court of Texas approves a referendum of the Membership of the State Bar of Texas on the following:

Proposed Amendment to Article VIII, Section 1(C) of the State Bar Rules, regarding when the State Bar sections elect their officers.

/ **5** day of _____ July SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS 1998.

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

Raul A. Gonzalez, Justice

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

Craig T. Enoch, Justice

Rose Spector, Justice

Priscilla R. Owen, Justice

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Greg Abbott, Justice

Deborah G. Hankinson, Justice

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PETITION TO AMEND ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 1(C) OF THE STATE BAR RULES

TO THE HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE AND JUSTICES OF SAID COURT:

The State Bar of Texas hereby respectfully petitions the Court to amend Article VIII, Section 1(C) of the State Bar Rules. In support hereof, the Petitioner states as follows:

I.

The Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas, at its meeting on June 11, 1998, resolved by a majority vote to make the recommendation and request for the referendum made herein.

II.

The Petitioner recommends and requests that a referendum ballot be submitted to the membership of the State Bar of Texas on the question of amending Article VIII, Section 1(C) of the State Bar Rules. The requested changes to Article VIII, Section 1(C) are set forth in Exhibit "A".

III.

WHEREFORE, the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors requests that the Supreme Court of Texas approve, adopt, and promulgate such rule and send such rule to the membership of the State Bar of Texas for a referendum.

Attest: Steven W. Young General Counsel

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Respectfully submitted

Antonio Alvarado Executive Director

Article VIII, Section 1 of the State Bar Rules

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(C) Officers of sections and divisions for the ensuing year shall be elected according to the respective bylaws at their annual meeting coinciding with the annual meeting of the Bar.

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EXHIBIT A