ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 96- 9155

RULES FOR SUSPENSION OF ATTORNEYS IN DEFAULT ON GUARANTEED STUDENT LOANS

82.022 (4)

In accord with the provisions of Texas Government Code $\frac{52.022(c)}{5}$, the Supreme Court of Texas hereby adopts the attached Rules for Suspension of Attorneys in Default on Guaranteed Student Loans, to be effective January 1, 1997.

It is ordered that this Order and the accompanying Rules be published in the September and October 1996 issues of the Texas Bar Journal.

In Chambers this 18th day of June, 1996.

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

Raul A. Gonzalez, Justice

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

John Cornyn,

Craig Enoch, Justice

Rose Spector, Justice

Priscilla R. Owen, Justice

A. Baker, Justice James

Ju Greg Abbott, Justice

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1. If the Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation (the Corporation) reports an attorney is in default on repayment of a student loan, the Clerk of the Supreme Court shall promptly send notice to the attorney at the current address shown in the State Bar's membership records, advising the attorney that the Supreme Court will suspend the attorney's license sixty days after the notice's date unless, before the expiration of the sixty day period,

a. the attorney submits to the Clerk of the Supreme Court a certificate issued by the Corporation certifying that the attorney has made a repayment agreement on the defaulted loan; or
b. the attorney submits to the Clerk a certificate issued by the Corporation certifying that the attorney is not in default on a loan guaranteed by the Corporation.

2. For the sole purpose of contesting the accuracy of the Corporation's default reporting, the attorney may, within twenty days of the date of the notice, submit to the Clerk of the Supreme Court a request for a public hearing before a master appointed by the Court, stating in the request the specific grounds for the contest.

3. Unless the attorney submits satisfactory evidence of compliance, or establishes error, the attorney's license shall be suspended. The Court will remove the suspension upon presentation of satisfactory evidence that the attorney has entered a repayment agreement on the defaulted loan(s).