

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 02- 9172

ORDER AMENDING IV,
RULES GOVERNING ADMISSION TO THE BAR OF TEXAS

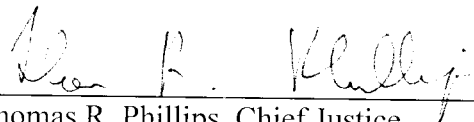
IT IS ORDERED that the *Rules Governing Admission to the Bar of Texas*, are amended in the following manner:

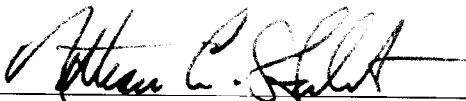
Amend Rule IV(e)(2) to read as follows:

- (e) The following provisions shall govern the determination of present good moral character and fitness of a Declarant or Applicant who has been licensed to practice law in any jurisdiction and has been disciplined, or allowed to resign in lieu of discipline, in that jurisdiction.
- (2) An individual disciplined for professional misconduct in the course of practicing law in any jurisdiction or an individual who resigned in lieu of disciplinary action (“disciplined individual”) is deemed not to have present good moral character and fitness and is therefore ineligible to file an Application for Admission to the Texas Bar during the period of such discipline imposed by such jurisdiction, and in the case of disbarment or resignation in lieu of disciplinary action, until the disciplined individual ~~has filed an application for reinstatement in the disciplining jurisdiction and obtained a final determination on that application.~~ has properly filed an application for re-licensure in the disciplining jurisdiction, in accordance with the procedures established for re-licensure in that jurisdiction, and has obtained a final determination on that application. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of this subsection (e)(2) and except as provided in Rule IV(d)(2), if the period of discipline imposed by another jurisdiction exceeds five years, the disciplined individual may file an Application after the expiration of five years from the date of imposition of such discipline, provided that (s)he has obtained a final determination on his/her application for ~~reinstatement~~ re-licensure in the disciplining jurisdiction.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT this order shall be effective immediately.

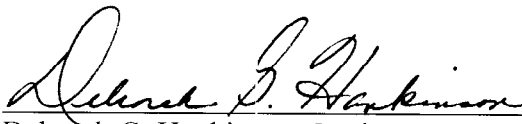
SIGNED AND ENTERED this 9th day of September, 2002.

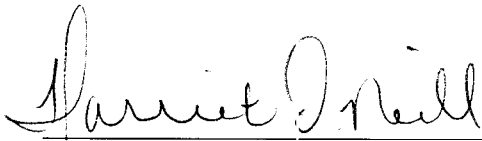

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

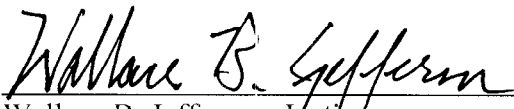

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

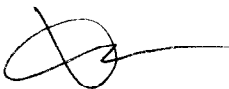

Craig T. Enoch, Justice


Priscilla R. Owen, Justice


Deborah G. Hankinson, Justice


Harriet O'Neill, Justice


Wallace B. Jefferson, Justice


Xavier Rodriguez, Justice