**AMENDMENTS TO**

**The Rules and Regulations Governing Procedure on Complaints and Hearings Before the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline of the Supreme Court**

On December 16, 2009 the Supreme Court of Ohio adopted the following amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing Procedure on Complaints and Hearings Before the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline of the Supreme Court. The amendments address designations of advisory opinions interpreting the former Code of Judicial Conduct and are effective January 1, 2010.

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**Section 20. Regulation for the Issuance of Advisory Opinions**

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**(B) Procedure for Maintenance**

(1) A copy of each advisory opinion will be kept in the Board’s offices.

(2) An advisory opinion that becomes withdrawn, modified, not current, or affected by other significant changes will be marked with an appropriate designation to indicate the status of the opinion.

(3) The designation “Withdrawn” will be used when an opinion has been withdrawn by majority vote of the Board. The designation indicates that an opinion no longer represents the advice of the Board.

(4) The designation “Modified” will be used when an opinion has been modified by majority vote of the Board. The designation indicates that an opinion has been modified by a subsequent opinion.

(5) The designation “Not Current” will be used at the discretion of the Board’s attorney staff to indicate that an opinion is not current in its entirety. The designation that an opinion is no longer current in its entirety may be used to indicate a variety of reasons such as subsequent amendments to rules or statutes, or developments in case law.

(6) The designation “CPR Opinion” will be used when an opinion provides guidance under the Ohio Code of Professional Responsibility that is superseded by the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct, effective February 1, 2007. The designation indicates that the opinion provides guidance regarding the Board’s advice under the superseded Code.

(7) The designation “Former CJC Opinion” will be used when an opinion provides guidance under the former Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct that is superseded by the Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct, effective March 1, 2009. The designation indicates that the opinion provides guidance regarding the Board’s advice under the superseded Code.

(8) Other designations, as needed, may be used by majority vote of the Board

(9) The Advisory Opinion Index will include a status list identifying the opinions and the designations.

[Regulation for the Issuance of Advisory Opinions Adopted effective March 1, 1997; Numbered as Section 20 effective June 1, 2000; February 1, 2007; January 1, 2010.]