### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENTS
TO SCR 210 REGARDING MINIMUM
CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION
REQUIREMENTS AND MAKING
MANDATORY CONTINUING LEGAL
EDUCATION IN SUBSTANCE ABUSE,
ADDICTIVE DISORDERS AND/OR
MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

**ADKT 0478** 

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# ORDER SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING AND REQUESTING PUBLIC COMMENT

On August 29, 2012, the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada filed a petition requesting that this court consider amendments to Supreme Court Rule 210. The proposed rule amendments are attached as Exhibit A.

The Nevada Supreme Court will conduct a public hearing on the proposed amendments on Monday, November 5, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. in the Nevada Supreme Court Courtroom, 201 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The hearing will be videoconferenced to the Nevada Supreme Court Courtroom, 200 Lewis Avenue, 17th Floor (Regional Justice Center), Las Vegas, Nevada.

Further, this court invites written comment from the bench, bar and public regarding the proposed amendments. An original and 8 copies of written comments are to be submitted to: Tracie K. Lindeman,

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA

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Clerk of the Supreme Court, 201 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701 by 5:00 p.m., November 1, 2012. Comments must be submitted in hard-copy format. Be advised that comments submitted electronically will not be docketed. Persons interested in participating in the hearing must notify the Clerk no later than November 1, 2012.

Hearing date: November 5, 2012, at 3:00 p.m.

Supreme Court Courtroom 201 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada

Comment deadline: November 1, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.

Supreme Court Clerk's Office 201 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

DATED this 500 day of October 2012.

Cherry, C.J.

cc: Francis C. Flaherty, President, State Bar of Nevada
Kimberly Farmer, Executive Director, State Bar of Nevada
Dara Goldsmith, Chair, Nevada Law Foundation
Clark County Bar Association
Washoe County Bar Association
Administrative Office of the Courts

#### ADKT 478 EXHIBIT A

## AMENDMENTS TO SUPREME COURT RULE 210

- Rule 210. Minimum continuing legal education requirements. To meet the annual minimum continuing legal education requirements imposed by these rules, each attorney subject to these rules must timely: submit an annual fee, complete the requisite number of credit hours, and submit an annual compliance report.
- 1. Annual Fee. The amount of the annual fee is \$40, made payable to the Nevada Board of Continuing Legal Education, and must be postmarked on or before March 1 of the year for which the fee is required to be paid.

### 2. Credit hours.

- (a) Subject to the carry forward provisions of subparagraph (b), a minimum of twelve (12) hours of accredited educational activity, as defined by the regulations adopted by the board, must be completed by December 31 of each year. Of the twelve (12) hours, at least two (2) shall be exclusively in the area of ethics and professional conduct and one (1) shall be exclusively in the area of substance abuse, addictive disorders and/or mental health issues that impair professional competence.
- (b) Any attorney subject to these rules who completes more than twelve (12) hours of accredited educational activity in any calendar year may carry forward up to twenty (20) hours of excess credit and apply the same to the attorney's general educational requirement for the next two (2) calendar years. Likewise, any attorney subject to these rules who completes more than two (2) hours of ethics and professional conduct credit in any calendar year may carry forward up to four (4) hours of excess credit and apply the same to

the attorney's ethics and professional conduct educational requirement for the next two (2) calendar years. An attorney subject to these rules may not carry forward excess credits which fulfill the one (1) credit hour required in the area of substance abuse, addictive disorders and/or mental health issues that impair professional competence.

3. Annual compliance report. A properly completed and verified written compliance report must be submitted to the board, and must be postmarked on or before March 1 each year. The report must be submitted on a form to be provided by the board. The board shall, no later than six (6) weeks prior to the due date, send a compliance report form to each attorney subject to these rules. The report shall include the attorney's mailing address and shall state the attorney's compliance with the credit hour requirements during the preceding calendar year. It shall not be a defense to noncompliance that the attorney did not receive the compliance report form.