IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENTS TO SUPREME COURT RULE 121.1 No. ADKT 518

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ORDER AMENDING SUPREME COURT RULE 121 Y

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2016, the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada filed a petition requesting this court to amend Supreme Court Rule 121.1; and

WHEREAS, this court has considered the petition and determined that Supreme Court Rule 121.1 is in need of clarification; and

WHEREAS, it appears that Supreme Court Rule 121.1 is warranted; accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Supreme Court Rule 121.1 shall be amended and shall read as set forth in Exhibit A.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this amendment to the Supreme Court Rules shall be effective 30 days from the date of this order. The clerk of this court shall cause a notice of entry of this order to be published in the official publication of the State Bar of Nevada. Publication of this order shall be accomplished by the clerk disseminating copies of this order to all subscribers of the advance sheets of the Nevada Reports and all persons and agencies listed in NRS 2.345, and to the executive director of the State Bar of Nevada. The certificate of the clerk of this court as to the accomplishment of the above-described publication

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of notice of entry and dissemination of this order shall be conclusive evidence of the adoption and publication of the foregoing rule amendment.

DATED this _____ day of December, 2016.

Parraguirre, C.J.

Hardesty, J

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Douglas , J.

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cc: All District Court Judges

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EXHIBIT A

AMENDMENT TO SUPREME COURT RULE 121.1

Rule 121.1. Dissemination of license status, discipline and disability information.

- 1. Entity responsible. If the attorney's suspension was imposed under Rule 98 for failure to pay state bar dues or under Rule 214(1) for failure to timely complete TIP, then the state bar shall be responsible for issuing the notices required by Rule 121.1(2) and (3). If the attorney's suspension was imposed under Rule 212 for failure to comply with continuing legal education requirements, then the board of continuing legal education shall be responsible for issuing the notices required by Rule 121.1(2) and (3). In all other cases, bar counsel shall be responsible for issuing the notices required by Rule 121.1(2) and (3).
- 2. Public notice of change in license status and discipline imposed. The entity responsible under Rule 121.1(1) shall cause notices of orders that subject an attorney to disbarment or any form of suspension, including suspension under Rule 98 or Rule 212, that transfer an attorney to or from disability inactive status, that reinstate an attorney to the practice of law, or that approve an attorney's resignation, with or without discipline pending, to be published in the state bar publication. The responsible entity also shall make these notices available to a newspaper of general circulation in each judicial district of this state in which the attorney maintained an office for the practice of law or carried on a substantial portion of his or her practice.

The responsible entity shall also cause a notice of a public reprimand issued by the supreme [court] court, or a letter of reprimand

issued either by the supreme court or a disciplinary panel of the state bar of Nevada, to be published in the state bar publication.

The entity responsible for compliance with this provision has discretion in drafting public notices required by this rule, which may consist simply of the orders themselves. However, notices of orders that impose discipline should include sufficient information to adequately inform the public and members of the bar about the misconduct found, the rules violated, and the discipline imposed.

- 3. **Notice to courts.** The entity responsible under Rule 121.1(1) shall promptly advise all courts in this state of orders that suspend or disbar an attorney, that transfer an attorney to or from disability inactive status, that approve an attorney's resignation, or that reinstate an attorney to the practice of law.
- 4. **Disclosure to National Discipline Data Bank.** Bar counsel shall notify the National Discipline Data Bank maintained by the American Bar Association Standing Committee on Professional Discipline of all public discipline imposed by the supreme court on an attorney, transfers to or from disability inactive status, reinstatements to the practice of law, and resignations with discipline pending.
- 5. Publication of supreme court orders. The clerk of the supreme court shall cause any order issued by the supreme court that subjects an attorney to any form of <u>public discipline including a letter of reprimand</u>, public reprimand, suspension or disbarment, that transfers an attorney to or from disability inactive status, that approves an attorney's resignation, or that reinstates an attorney to the practice of law to be published in pamphlet form and disseminated to all subscribers of the

advance sheets of the Nevada Reports and to all persons and agencies listed in NRS 2.345.

6. Publication of public reprimand issued by state bar. Bar counsel shall cause a public reprimand issued by the state bar under Rule 113 to be published in the state bar publication.