## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENTS TO SUPREME COURT RULE 81 REGARDING THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS ELECTION OF MEMBERS. **ADKT 519** 

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## ORDER SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING AND REQUESTING PUBLIC COMMENT

On September 27, 2016, the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada filed a petition to amend Supreme Court Rule 81 regarding the election of members to the Board of Governors and the lifetime limit for which a Governor may serve. The proposed amendments are attached as Exhibit A.

The Nevada Supreme Court will conduct a public hearing on the petition on Thursday, June 8, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. in the Nevada Supreme Court Courtroom, 408 East Clark Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. The hearing will be videoconferenced to the Nevada Supreme Court Courtroom, 201 South Carson Street, Carson City, 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: Elizabeth A. Brown, Clerk of the Supreme Court, 201 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701 by 5:00 p.m., May 30, 2017. Comments must be submitted in hard-copy format. Comments submitted electronically will not be docketed. Persons interested in participating in the hearing must notify the Clerk no later than May 30, 2017.

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Hearing date: June 8, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. Supreme Court Courtroom 408 East Clark Avenue

Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Comment deadline: May 30, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

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

DATED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2017.

Cherry, C.J

cc: Bryan K. Scott, President, State Bar of Nevada
Kimberly Farmer, Executive Director, State Bar of Nevada
All District Court Judges
Clark County Bar Association
Washoe County Bar Association
First Judicial District Bar Association
Administrative Office of the Courts

## **EXHIBIT A**

## Rule 81. Board of governors: Election of members; term.

- 1. The board of governors shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified as hereinafter provided.
- 2. The board of governors of the state bar shall be composed of 15 members to be elected as follows:
- (a) Nine members shall be elected from district No. 1, which shall consist of Clark County;
- (b) One member shall be elected from district No. 2, which shall consist of the counties of White Pine, Elko, Eureka, Churchill, Lander, Humboldt, Lyon, Lincoln, Douglas, Mineral, Nye, Esmeralda, Pershing and Storey;
- (c) One member shall be elected from district No. 3, which shall consist of Carson City; and
- (d) Four members shall be elected from district No. 4, which shall consist of Washoe County.
- 3. The members of the board of governors shall be elected for two-year terms. No attorney may serve on the board of governors for more than a lifetime total of eight years [unless elected as vice president, president-elect or president, in which case the lifetime limit would be eleven years]. The time served in filling a partial term created by a vacancy shall not be included in computing the eight-year lifetime limit, nor shall the eight-year lifetime limit preclude a member of the board who serves as president elect during his or her eighth year from thereafter serving as president. [If elected vice president, president-elect or president, the term of office shall extend, without reelection, though the officer's presidential year.]
- 4. Only active members of the state bar who reside in Nevada and have an official address pursuant to Rule 79 in the respective counties as provided in subsection (2) above, are eligible to be elected as a governor therefrom.