IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: AMENDMENT TO RULE 9, SECTION 34 RULES OF THE TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT

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ORDER

On December 4, 2009, this Court published for review and comment a proposed amendment to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9 establishing guidelines for revocation, suspension and reinstatement of licenses of lawyers found to be in default on their student loan obligations. This Court set Wednesday, December 30, 2009, as the deadline for submitting written comments on the proposal. On December 21, 2009, the Tennessee Bar Association ("TBA"), byand through its President, Gail Vaughn Ashworth; Chair of its StandingCommittee on Ethics & Professional Responsibility, Brian S. Faughnan; General Counsel, William L. Harbison; and Executive Director, Allan F. Ramsaur; and the Office of Disciplinary Counsel of the Board of Professional Responsibility ("BPR"), by and through its Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Nancy S. Jones, filed a motion requesting a sixty-day extension of the comment period. The TBA and the BPR assert that additional time is needed to complete legal research and analysis of the proposed amendment.

Upon due consideration, the motion is GRANTED. Written comments on the proposed amendment to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, section 34 shall be submitted no later than Monday, March 1, 2010.

It is so ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT:

ANICE M. HOLDER, CHIEF JUSTICE

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