

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

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IN RE: AMENDMENT TO RULE 7, SECTION 7.01, SUPREME COURT CLERK  
RULES OF THE TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT NASHVILLE

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**ORDER**

Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 7, § 7.01 governs the eligibility of graduates of law schools in foreign countries to take the Tennessee bar examination. On May 29, 2009, the Court amended Section 7.01 by deleting the existing language in its entirety and replacing it with the following new section 7.01:

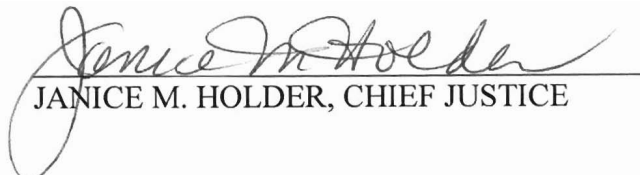
**Sec. 7.01. Eligibility to Take Examination.** — Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.01 and § 2.02, an applicant who has completed a course of study in and graduated from a law school in a foreign country, which law school was then recognized and approved by the competent accrediting agency of such country, may qualify, in the discretion of the Board, to take the bar examination, provided that the applicant shall satisfy the Board that his or her undergraduate education and legal education were substantially equivalent to the requirements of this rule. In addition, the applicant shall also demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that he or she has successfully completed at least 27 semester hours in residence at a law school approved by the American Bar Association or has successfully earned one-third of the credits necessary to graduate from a law school approved by the Board under § 2.03. An applicant who graduated from a law school in a foreign country shall also comply with the other pertinent provisions of this rule and shall be required to pass the bar examination.

The order filed May 29, 2009, stated that the amendment would become effective upon its filing.

The order is hereby amended to provide that the effective date of amended section 7.01 is August 1, 2010.

The Clerk shall provide a copy of this order to LexisNexis and Thomson-West. In addition, this order shall be posted on the Tennessee Supreme Court's website.

FOR THE COURT:

  
JANICE M. HOLDER, CHIEF JUSTICE