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**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE**

IN RE: TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RULE 7, SECTION 10.01(h)

No. ADM2022-00320

ORDER

The widespread use of employees working remotely has created uncertainty concerning when a lawyer has established a “systematic and continuous presence” in Tennessee for purposes of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 8, RPC 5.5(d)(1) and the registration requirements of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 7, § 10.01(a). Until this uncertainty is resolved, the Board of Law Examiners is hereby granted discretion to waive the late fee imposed by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 7, § 10.01(h) for registration by lawyers working remotely for a Tennessee company and to approve the registration of a lawyer working as in-house counsel without determining when the lawyer established a “presence” in Tennessee. *See* Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 7, § 10.01(a), (h). A lawyer approved for registration shall be deemed registered as if the application to register as in-house counsel had been timely filed. This order granting the Board of Law Examiners limited waiver discretion under section 10.01(h) will take effect immediately and will remain in effect until further order of this Court.

PER CURIAM