## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE

## 1. AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: AMENDMENT TO SUPREME COURT RULE 7,

ARTICLE XII, Section 12.11

Filed August 31, 2004

## ORDER

After due consideration, the Court hereby amends Supreme Court Rule 7, Article XII, Section 12.11, by adding the words "the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program" to the last sentence of this section, so that the section will read:

Sec. 12.11. Confidentiality of Board Records and Files. – Applications for admission, examination papers and grades, and all investigative records of the Board, including but not limited to, correspondence and/or electronic transmissions to and from the Board, its members and staff, minutes of Board meetings and its deliberations and all documents, communications and proceedings prepared in connection with evaluations or investigations of law schools under Rule 7, §§ 2.03, 2.07, 2.08, 2.09, 2.10, 2.11, 2.12, and 2.15 shall be treated as confidential and shall not be open to inspection by members of the public without written application to and authorization by an appropriate order of this Court. Statistical information not identified with any particular applicant and information relating to whether and when an applicant has been admitted may be released to any person. The Board is authorized to release information which would otherwise be confidential to the licensing, disciplinary or law enforcement agencies of any jurisdiction, the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program, and to the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

It is so ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT:

E. Riley Anderson, Justice