NOTICE

Statewide Grievance Committee Rules of Procedure

Notice is hereby given of the following amendments to the Statewide Grievance Committee Rules of Procedure, adopted in accordance with Section 2-33(c)(2), to be effective August 26, 2014. Additions are underlined; deletions are struck through.

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RULE 1A. FILING PROCEDURE; ELECTRONIC FILING

A. Filing Procedure: Grievance complaints, and any document related to grievance complaints or unauthorized practice of law complaints pending before the Committee or a reviewing committee, including but not limited to requests, motions, objections, briefs, appeals, or any other document intended for placement in the file of any such matter, or any copies thereof, must be filed with or submitted to the Statewide Bar Counsel or an Assistant Bar Counsel. No grievance complaint, unauthorized practice of law complaint, or any document attached in support thereof, or any portion of the record as defined by Practice Book § 2-32(i) may be filed with or submitted to the Statewide Bar Counsel or Assistant Bar Counsel by way of fax, email, or any other electronic means. Any such document so received will not be considered as being filed with the Committee or the Statewide Bar Counsel.

- B. Electronic Filing: The following documents may be filed with the Statewide Bar Counsel's Office by fax or email provided that an original of the filing and all necessary copies are mailed forthwith to the Statewide Bar Counsel's Office:
- 1. All materials prepared pursuant to Rule 7(B), (C), (D) and (F);
- 2. A response to an overdraft investigation by the Statewide Bar Counsel's Office conducted pursuant to Practice Book § 2-28(g) and Rule 9(B);
- 3. A proposed disposition prepared pursuant to Practice Book § 2-82 and Rule 11;
- 4. A motion to dismiss prepared pursuant to Rule 11A;
- 5. A request for review of a reviewing committee final decision prepared pursuant to Practice Book § 2-35(g);
- 6. A request for review of an attorney advertising advisory opinion prepared pursuant to Rule 14(I).
- C. If the last day for filing any matter falls on a day on which the Statewide Bar Counsel's Office is not open, then the last day for filing shall be the next business day upon which the office is open. All documents that are electronically received for filing after 5:00 p.m. on a day on which the Statewide Bar Counsel's Office is open or that are electronically received at any time on a day on which the office is closed, shall be deemed filed on the next business day upon which the office is open.
- <u>CD</u>. All materials filed with the Statewide Bar Counsel following a finding of probable cause shall contain a certification of proof of service as required in civil matters pursuant to Practice Book § 10-14.
- ĐE. Notwithstanding the provisions of this rule, the Committee or a reviewing committee may allow for the electronic filing of any document.
- EE. Materials that do not comply with this rule shall be returned and not made a part of the record.