**AMENDMENTS TO THE**

**RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO**

On August 22, 2013, the Supreme Court of Ohio adopted the following amendments to the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio (Gov.Bar R. VI, Section 3) effective November 1, 2013.

**SUPREME COURT RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO**

**RULE VI. REGISTRATION OF ATTORNEYS**

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**Section 3. Corporate Counsel.**

(A) An attorney who is admitted to the practice of law in another state or in the District of Columbia, but not in Ohio; is employed by a nongovernmental employer; and, as a result of that employment, has a systematic and continuous presence in Ohio as permitted pursuant to Prof.Cond.R. 5.5(d)(1) shall register for corporate counsel status by filing a Certificate of Registration and paying the fee as required by Section 1 of this rule. The Office of Attorney Services may require additional information and documents, including a certificate of admission and good standing from the jurisdiction in which the attorney is admitted, from an attorney who registers for corporate counsel status. An attorney who is registered for corporate counsel status may perform legal services in Ohio solely for the nongovernmental employer, as long as the attorney is an employee of that employer. Registration under this section shall be effective and may be renewed biennially only as long as the attorney is so employed. An attorney who is granted corporate counsel status shall promptly notify the Director of Attorney Services in writing upon termination of employment with the employer.

(B) An attorney who is registered for corporate counsel status may not practice before any court or agency of this state on behalf of the attorney’s employer or any person except for the attorney’s self, unless granted leave by the court or agency.

(C) An attorney who is admitted to the practice of law in another state or in the District of Columbia, but not in Ohio, and who performs legal services in Ohio for the attorney’s employer, but fails to register in compliance with this section or does not qualify to register under this section, may be referred for investigation of the unauthorized practice of law under Gov. Bar R. VII and, at the discretion of the Chief Justice, may be precluded from applying for admission without examination under Gov. Bar R. I.

(D) Division (A) of this section shall not apply to an attorney who is admitted to the practice of law in another state or in the District of Columbia, but not in Ohio, and who is employed by, associated with, or a partner in an Ohio law firm. Until the attorney is admitted to the practice of law in Ohio, the attorney may not practice law in Ohio, hold the attorney’s self out as authorized to practice law in Ohio, or practice before any nonfederal court or agency in Ohio on behalf of any person except the attorney’s self, unless granted leave by the court or agency. The law firm may include the name of the attorney on its letterhead only if the letterhead includes a designation that the attorney is not admitted in Ohio.

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[Not analogous to former Rule VI, effective February 28, 1972; amended effective January 1, 1981; November 17, 1982; July 1, 1983; May 13, 1985, July 1, 1986; January 1, 1989; July 1, 1991; September 1, 1991; January 1, 1992; July 1, 1992; July 1, 1993; January 1, 1995; July 1, 1995; November 1, 1995; July 1, 1997; July 1, 1999; November 28, 2000; June 1, 2002; August 19, 2002; November 1, 2002; July 1, 2003; July 1, 2005, September 1, 2005; July 1, 2007; September 1, 2007; January 1, 2008; May 1, 2009; September 1, 2010; January 1, 2012; January 1, 2013; November 1, 2013.]

**RULE XX. TITLE AND EFFECTIVE DATES**

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(PPPP) The amendments to Gov.Bar R. VI, Section 3, adopted by the Supreme Court on August 22, 2013, shall take effect on November 1, 2013.