

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

ORDER

Acting in accordance with Article V, Sections 1 and 5 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and the inherent power of this Court, and considering the need to amend the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

Part 1. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XIX, Section 24E be and is hereby amended to add a Subpart 11, to read as follows:

Section 24. Reinstatement and Readmission

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E. Criteria for Reinstatement and Readmission.

A lawyer may be reinstated or readmitted only if the lawyer meets each of the following criteria, and executes and files with the petition for reinstatement or readmission an application for reinstatement or readmission, a copy of which can be obtained from the board administrator, or, if not, presents good and sufficient reasons why the lawyer should nevertheless be reinstated or readmitted:

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- (11) The lawyer shall obtain a certification from the Client Assistance Fund that no payments have been made by the Fund

to any of the lawyer's clients. To the extent that Client Assistance Funds have been paid to qualifying clients, the lawyer shall obtain a certification from the Fund that the Fund has been reimbursed in its entirety, or alternatively, that a payment plan is in effect which will result in reimbursement to the Fund.

Part 2. This rule change shall become effective on July 1, 2005, and shall remain in full force and effect thereafter, until amended or changed through future orders of this Court. This rule change shall apply to all petitions for reinstatement or readmission which are filed on or after the effective date.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 23rd day of May, 2005.

FOR THE COURT:

Pascal F. Calogero, Jr., Chief Justice