



## SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

Atlanta    October 6, 2010

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.  
The following order was passed:

The Court having considered the motion to amend the Rules and Regulations of the State Bar of Georgia, it is ordered that the State Bar's motion to amend Rule 1-202 (e) of Part I of the Rules of the State Bar of Georgia regarding Disabled Members, is hereby approved to read as follows:

### **Rule 1-202. Classes of Members**

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(e) Disabled Members. Any member of the State Bar of Georgia who is found to be permanently disabled by the Social Security Administration or is in the process of applying to the Social Security Administration for such status may retire from the State Bar of Georgia upon petition to and approval by the Executive Committee. Such disabled member shall hold disabled status and shall annually confirm in writing to the Membership Department this disabled status. A disabled member of the State Bar of Georgia holding disabled status under this paragraph shall not be privileged to practice law nor be required to pay dues or annual fees. A disabled member may be reinstated to active membership upon application to the State Bar of Georgia.

It is ordered that the State Bar's motion to amend Rule 1-208 (b) (3) of Part I of the Rules of the State Bar of Georgia regarding Resignation from Membership, is hereby approved to add subsection (I) to read as follows:

### **Rule 1-208. Resignation from Membership**

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(b) Readmission within five years after resignation: for a period of five years after the effective date of a voluntary resignation, the member of the State Bar who has resigned while in good standing may apply for readmission to the State Bar upon completion of the following terms and conditions:

(1) payment in full of the current dues for the year in which readmission is sought;

(2) payment of a readmission fee to the State Bar equal to the amount the member seeking readmission would have paid if he had instead elected inactive status;  
and,

(3) submission to the membership section of the State Bar of a determination of fitness from the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants. Provided the former member seeking readmission has applied to the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants before the expiration of the five-year period after his or her resignation, the former member shall be readmitted upon submitting a determination of fitness even if the five-year period has expired. This provision shall be applicable to all former members who applied to the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants on or after January 1, 2008.

It is further ordered that the State Bar's motion to amend Rule 1-506 (a) of Part I of the Rules of the State Bar of Georgia regarding Client's Security Fund Assessment, is hereby approved to read as follows:

**Rule 1-506. Clients' Security Fund Assessment**

(a) The State Bar is authorized to assess each member of the State Bar a fee of \$100.00. This \$100.00 fee may be paid in minimum annual installments of \$25.00 for a period of four (4) years. Each new member of the State Bar will also be assessed a similar amount upon admission to the State Bar. This fee shall be used only to fund the Clients' Security Fund and shall be in addition to the annual license fee as provided in Rule 1-501 through Rule 1-502.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA  
Clerk's Office, Atlanta

I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from  
the minutes of the Supreme Court of Georgia  
Witness my signature and the seal of said court hereto  
affixed the day and year last above written.

*Thiase A. Burns*, Clerk

