### THE COURTS

# Title 204—JUDICIAL SYSTEM GENERAL PROVISIONS

PART IV. ADMISSION TO PRACTICE OF LAW [204 PA. CODE CH. 71]

Amendment of Rule 204 of the Pennsylvania Bar Admission Rules; No. 247 Supreme Court Rules Doc. No. 1

#### **Order**

Per Curiam:

And Now, this 25th day of May, 2000, Rule 204 of the Pennsylvania Bar Admission Rules is amended to read as follows:

To the extent that notice of proposed rulemaking would be required by Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration No. 103 or otherwise, the immediate amendment of Pa.B.A.R. 204 is hereby found to be required in the interest of justice and efficient administration.

This Order shall be processed in accordance with Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration No. 103(b) and shall be effective immediately.

### Annex A

TITLE 204. JUDICIAL SYSTEM GENERAL PROVISIONS

PART IV. ADMISSION TO PRACTICE OF LAW
CHAPTER 71. PENNSYLVANIA BAR ADMISSION
RULES

Subchapter B. ADMISSION TO THE BAR GENERALLY

### IN GENERAL

### Rule 204. Admission of domestic attorneys.

As an alternative to satisfying the requirements of Rule 203 (relating to admission of graduates of accredited and unaccredited institutions), an attorney of another state may be admitted to the bar of this Commonwealth if the applicant has completed the study of law at and received without exception an earned Bachelor of Laws or Juris Doctor degree from an accredited law school, is a member of the bar of a reciprocal state at the time of filing of the application for admission to the bar of this Commonwealth, and meets the following qualifications:

- (1) Presentation of a certificate from the highest court or agency having jurisdiction over admission to the bar and the practice of law in every state or jurisdiction in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law stating that the applicant is in good standing at the bar of such court or such state. An applicant who is disbarred or suspended for disciplinary reasons from the practice of law in another jurisdiction at the time of filing an application for admission to the bar shall not be eligible for admission to the bar of this Commonwealth.
- (2) Presentation of proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has for a period of five years of the last

seven years immediately preceding the date of filing of the application for admission to the bar of this Commonwealth.

- (i) engaged in the practice of law in a state or states outside this Commonwealth; **or**
- (ii) provided legal services as an attorney for the federal government regardless of the location of the services; or
- (iii) served full time as a law clerk to a judge of any court of the United States or of any state or territory of the United States regardless of the location of the service;

provided the applicant had at some time been engaged in the practice of law or otherwise performed the legal functions set forth in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) in reciprocal jurisdictions for at least five years or had been engaged in the practice of law or otherwise performed the legal functions set forth in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) in reciprocal jurisdictions for a substantial portion of the five out of the seven year period immediately preceding the application or for such portion of time for which credit is being sought in combination with subparagraphs (iv) and (v). For purposes of this paragraph, the phrase "engaged in the practice of law" is defined as "devoting a major portion of one's time and energy to the rendering of legal services";

- [(ii)] (iv) engaged full-time in the teaching of law at one or more accredited law schools, colleges or universities in the United States provided a substantial portion of such time was spent teaching at an accredited law school; or
- [(iii)] (v) served on active duty in the United States military service, as a judge advocate or law specialist, as those terms are defined in the Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. Sec. 801, as amended, regardless of the location of the service.

Service under subparagraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) may be combined to satisfy the five year service requirement of this subparagraph.

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-976. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

# Title 249—PHILADELPHIA RULES

### PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

Amendment or Rescission of Phila.R.Civ.P. No. 51, 201, 206.1, 206.2, 206.3, 209, 212.1(A) and (B), 212.4 and 215; President Judge General Court Regulation No. 2000-05

And Now, this 24th day of May, 2000, the Board of Judges of Philadelphia County having voted at the Board of Judges' meeting held May 18, 2000 to amend or rescind Phila.R.Civ.P. No. 51, 201, 206.1, 206.2, 206.3, 209, 212.1(A) and (B), 212.4 and 215, It Is Hereby Ordered and

Decreed that Phila.R.Civ.P. No. 51, 201, 206.1, 206.2, 206.3, 209, 212.1(A) and (B), 212.4 and 215, are amended or rescinded as follows.

This General Court Regulation is promulgated in accordance with Pa.Civ.P. No. 239 and shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. The original General Court Regulation shall be filed with the Prothonotary in a docket maintained for General Court Regulations issued by the President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and copies shall be submitted to the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Supreme Court's Civil Procedural Rules Committee. Copies of the Regulation shall also be submitted to American Lawyer Media, *The Legal Intelligencer*, Jenkins Memorial Library and the Law Library for the First Judicial District.

ALEX BONAVITACOLA, President Judge

# Status of Local Civil Rules With CHANGES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF JUDGES ON 5/18/2000

### Rule \*

**Rule \*51** 

51(D)	Amended
(E)	Amended
(F)	Amended
76	No Change
105	No Change
201(C)	Amended
205.2	No Change
206.1	Amended
206.2	Amended
206.3	Rescinded
209	Rescinded
212.1(A)	Amended
212.1(B)	Rescinded
212.2	(Previously Amended—February 2000)
212.3	No Change
212.4	Rescinded
215	Amended

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- (D) Publication. Local Rules of Court, General Court Regulations and Administrative Regulations which govern or effect procedures to be followed by the Bar shall be given rule numbers at the time of their promulgation. Each Bulletin which governs or affects such procedures shall either (a) be given a rule number, in which event it will remain in effect until rescinded, (b) specify a period of time not longer than sixty days during which it will remain in effect or (c) be published in the Legal Intelligencer at least once every sixty days, or automatically cease to remain in effect. All rules shall be made available by the Office of the President Judge for publication and distribution. Publication and distribution of new numbered rules shall occur as soon as practicable following adoption of those rules by the Board of Judges. Rules concerning wholly internal procedures need not be numbered or published. A complete copy of all currently effective Philadelphia Civil Rules shall be maintained and made available for public inspection at the Office of the Civil Administration.
- (E) Cataloguing, distribution and maintenance of files of all local rules, administrative and general court regulations and all procedural orders and directives are the responsibility of the Office of the President Judge.

(F) *Effective Date.* All numbered rules shall become effective on the date specified in the new rule, following publication in the Legal Intelligencer.

Former Rule 1; originally General Court Regulation 71-1, July 8, 1971; Bulletin 72-159, July 6, 1972; further amended November 20, 1986, effective February 1, 1987.

### Rule \*201—Stipulations.

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(C) Stipulations requiring Court approval in cases not assigned to the Non Jury Program, the Arbitration Program or the Arbitration Appeal Program shall be presented for approval to the Judicial Team Leader for that Program to which the case has been assigned. Stipulations requiring Court approval in the Non Jury, Arbitration or the Arbitration Appeal Programs shall be presented for approval to the Motion Court Judge. All Stipulations requiring Court approval shall be filed with the Prothonotary (Second Filing Unit), and it will be the responsibility of that Unit to forward the Stipulations shall be accompanied by stamped addressed 9 1/2 x 4 1/2 size envelopes for each attorney of record and unrepresented party.

### Rule \*206.1—Motion Procedure.

- (A) *Applicability.* This rule governs the filing of all motions, petitions and preliminary objections except the following:
- (1) Requests for preliminary relief, including petitions for writs of seizure, temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions. Such requests shall be filed initially with the Prothonotary and, thereafter, with the Civil Administration Unit.
- (2) Motions and petitions governed by Philadelphia Civil Rule \*206.2 (Alternative Motion Procedure).
  - (3) Motions for Extraordinary Relief.
- (4) Petitions for advancement on the trial list. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*215 and Trial Division General Court Regulation No. 94-2).
- (5) Motions for post-trial relief. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*227).
- (6) Petitions for alternative service. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*430.1).
- (7) Arbitration applications. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*1303 and General Court Regulation—Trial Division No. 93-3).
- (8) Petitions for approval of minors' compromises. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*2039.1).
- (9) Petitions for allowance in minors' cases. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*2039.2).
- (10) Petitions for approval of settlements in wrongful death cases. (See Philadelphia Civil Rule \*2206).

The procedures governing stipulations requiring court approval are set forth in Philadelphia Civil Rule \*201. Additional procedures governing preliminary objections are set forth in Philadelphia Civil Rule \*1028.

- (B) Filing Requirements. All pre-trial motions and petitions subject to this rule and all preliminary objections shall be filed in the Civil Administration Unit and shall be accompanied by the following items in the following order:
  - (1) A completed cover sheet in the form of Exhibit A;

- (2) A proposed order (and rule to show cause, if necessary);
  - (3) A memorandum of law;
- (4) A copy of the transmittal letter which the moving party certifies on the cover sheet will be used to meet the service requirements of paragraph (C). (This copy of the transmittal letter will, of necessity, have a blank space for the Civil Administration Unit control number to be assigned at the time of filing).
- (5) Stamped, addressed 9 1/2 x 4 1/2 size envelopes for each attorney of record and unrepresented party.

Any filing fee shall be paid to the Prothonotary prior to filing with the Civil Administration Unit.

- (C) Service Requirements. The moving party shall immediately serve copies of all documents filed in the Civil Administration Unit on each attorney of record and unrepresented party, together with the transmittal letter, stating that the documents have been filed and that any response must be filed within thirty days of the filing date. The specific due date and the assigned control number shall be specified in the transmittal letter. The cover sheet of each service copy shall bear the control number assigned to the filing by the Civil Administration Unit.
- (D) Response Requirements. Any party opposing the motion, petition or preliminary objections shall file the following documents with the Civil Administration Unit no later than 4:30 p.m. on the date thirty days after the date of filing:
- (1) A completed cover sheet in the form of Exhibit A bearing the control number assigned to the moving filing;
  - (2) A proposed order;
  - (3) The answer to the motion or petition (if necessary);
  - (4) A memorandum of law;
  - (5) A copy of the moving party's transmittal letter.

The filing party shall immediately serve copies of all documents filed in the Civil Administration Unit on each attorney of record and unrepresented party.

- (E) Disputed Issues of Fact. Disputed issues of fact shall be determined in accordance with Pa.R.C.P. 206.7(c), pursuant to an Order issued by the assigned Judge.
  - (F) Motion Court Argument List.
- (1) All Motion Court Argument List matters shall be accompanied by a proposed rule to show cause. Upon filing, the Civil Administration Unit shall assign a date, time and place for the return of the rule. The moving party shall then immediately serve the rule on each attorney of record and unrepresented party (including, in the case of a petition to withdraw, the party affected by the withdrawal), together with a letter stating that the time for filing a response as stated in the original transmittal letter is superseded, and that any response shall be filed by a date not later than the date of the argument or thirty days after the date the rule was signed, whichever comes first. A certificate of service evidencing such service shall be presented to court by the moving party at the time of argument.
- (2) The Motion Court Argument List consists of the following matters:
- (a) Petitions to withdraw appearance of counsel in cases assigned to the Arbitration Program;
  - (b) (Rescinded, effective July 1, 1997).

- (c) Complaints in equity seeking to enjoin violations of the City Codes;
- (d) Petitions for redemptions of foreclosed property; and
- (e) Other matters ordered on the Argument List by the Court.
- (G) Content of Motion Court Filings. All Motion Court filings shall include copies of all documents necessary or relevant to the disposition of the issues. The Court may decide any matter against a party who fails to attach to the filing those items sufficient to enable the Court to determine the matter.
- (H) *Deadlines for Filing.* Absent written authorization from the Court, motions shall not be accepted by the Civil Administration Unit for filing in cases where an arbitration hearing is scheduled to be held within forty-five days.

#### Comment:

It should be noted that in many instances, the judge hearing a motion does not have the full Court file. Although the Board of Judges has eliminated the requirement to file docket entries with every motion and answer, current docket entries are still required if such entries are a necessary item to the disposition of the issues in the motion. Also, the complaint, answer, and reply to new matter, if any, must also be included where necessary or relevant.

Stipulations will now be approved in accordance with Local Rule \*201(C).

Procedures relative to Motions for Extraordinary Relief are set forth in the Court Publication "Civil Trial Division Administration, At A Glance."

### **Rule \*206.2. Alternative Motion Procedure.**

- (A) All discovery petitions and motions, except in designated Mass Tort cases, shall be presented to, argued before and determined by the appropriate Judge of Discovery for the program involved in accordance with the following procedures:
- (1) The moving party shall obtain a hearing date and time by filing or faxing a request in the Discovery Court (Room 287 City Hall). Counsel shall provide the following information: the program to which the case is assigned; the caption of the case; the next event and the date of that event and, if the case is listed for an arbitration hearing, the date thereof.
- (2) Prompt written notice of the hearing in the form set forth in Exhibit A shall be served by the moving party upon each attorney of record and unrepresented party, together with a copy of the motion and proposed order. Except in cases of emergency or waiver by consent of all parties, at least ten days prior written notice shall be required.
- (3) The original motion, proposed order, notice of presentation and certification of service shall be retained by the moving party until filed with the Court at the time of the hearing.
- (4) An answer to the petition or motion may be made orally, in writing, or both, but will not be considered unless presented to the Court at the time of the hearing.
- (5) The failure of a moving party to proceed as scheduled shall occasion no sanction, except that a responding party who actually appears in Court pursuant to a notice

of presentment may, by subsequent motion, seek sanctions against a moving party who failed to proceed without good cause.

- (6) If the decision of the Court is not announced immediately after the hearing in contested matters, the Court will furnish written notice of its ruling to each attorney of record and unrepresented party. In uncontested matters, the party presenting the motion shall promptly notify each attorney of record and unrepresented party of the Court's ruling.
  - (B) Rescinded.
- $\left(C\right)$  Additional matters may be made subject to these procedures by order of the Administrative Judge of the Trial Division.

Comment:

Counsel are advised to consult the Discovery Section of the *Civil Trial Division Administration Manual (At A Glance)* for the most recent year published. This publication sets forth the specific discovery day of the week assigned for each program.

#### Exhibit A

### NOTICE OF PRESENTATION

To: R.T. Jones, Esquire
Land Title Building
Philadelphia, PA 19107

W. Casper, Esquire
Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Please take notice that the Defendant's Motion to Compel Answers to Interrogatories will be presented to the Court on [Day], [Date], at [Time], in Room 285 City Hall.<sup>1</sup>

### CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that service of a true and correct copy of the within motion to compel discovery was made on the 4th day of February 1987, to the counsel above named by United States Mail, postage pre-paid.

Rule \*206.3. Rescinded. Rule \*209. Rescinded.

Rule \*212.1.

(A) The scheduling of settlement and pretrial conferences and the filing of pretrial memoranda shall be in accord with the applicable Program Case Management Order. The pretrial memorandum shall include that information required by the Pretrial Scheduling Order.

(B) Rescinded

Rule \*212.2. [No further change] [Amended in February 2000]

Rule \*212.3. [No change]

Rule \*212.4. Rescinded.

Rule \*215. Assignment of Cases in the Trial Division.

A. All cases filed in the Trial Division of the Court of Common Pleas shall be listed for trial in accordance with those case management procedures in effect for the program to which a case is assigned.

- (1) Arbitration Cases—All cases which when filed are subject to compulsory arbitration under Philadelphia Civil Rule \*1301 shall be assigned a hearing date and time upon commencement on the face of the initial filing.
- (2) Major Jury Cases—All jury cases, other than Arbitration Appeals and Mass Tort matters, shall be listed for trial by the Judicial Team Leader for that Program to which a given case is assigned in accordance with the pertinent Case Management Order. Protracted and complex cases will be listed for dates certain. Those cases classified standard and expedited typically will be assigned to a trial pool for a given pool month within the appropriate program. (The "pool month" is defined as the corresponding calendar month).

Whether a given case is assigned a date certain or a pool month date is within the sound discretion of the Program Team Leader (or his/her designee).

(3) Non Jury Cases—All Non Jury cases will be designated as either Commerce Program or Non Jury Program cases.

Commerce Program cases will be listed for trial by the Commerce Program Judicial Team Leader in accordance with the applicable Case Management Order.

Non Jury cases will be listed for trial at a status conference by the Supervising Judge of the Non Jury Program, located at the Complex Litigation Center.

- (4) Mass Tort Cases—All Mass Tort cases shall be listed for trial by the Supervising Judge of the Mass Tort Program, located at the Complex Litigation Center.
- (5) Arbitration Appeal Cases—All Arbitration Appeal cases shall be listed for trial by the Supervising Judge at the Complex Litigation Center in a monthly trial pool in accordance with a Case Management Order. ("A Pool Month" is the corresponding calendar month).
  - B. Jury Trial Requests
- (1) Upon commencement of an action, the plaintiff shall pay the non jury listing fee, or if a jury trial is initially demanded, the jury listing fee.
- (2) Thereafter, a jury trial may be demanded and perfected in accordance with Philadelphia Civil Rule \*1007.1.
- (3) Payment of a jury fee will determine the case program assignment, except in those cases seeking equitable relief which shall be in either the Commerce Program or the Non Jury Program.

#### Comment:

This \*Rule has been completely rewritten to comport with the principles of differentiated case management and the assignment of cases by program.

Counsel are advised to consult, where appropriate, the following General Court Regulations and Administrative Orders:

- 1. Trial Division General Court Regulation No. 94-2. (Procedure and Criteria for Advanced Trial Listings pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. 214).
- 2. General Court Regulation No. 95-1. (Day Forward Program. Judicial Team Leader; Trial Division).
- 3. General Court Regulation No. 95-2. (Day Forward Program. Procedure for Disposition of Major Jury Cases Filed on and after January 2, 1996).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The date, time and location of the hearing will be supplied by the discovery clerk.

- 4. Administrative Docket No. 05 of 1994. (Procedure for Disposition of Municipal Court Appeals).
- 5. Administrative Docket No. 01 of 1998. (Protocol for Trial Pools in the Day Backward and the Day Forward Programs).
- 6. Administrative Docket No. 06 of 1998. (Scheduling Civil Trials Involving State Prisoners).

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-977. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

# Title 255—LOCAL COURT RULES

### CHESTER COUNTY

# Adoption of Local Rules of Civil Procedure Governing Custody Mediation Orientation Program; No. 00-00000R

And Now, this 22nd day of May, 2000, the Court approves and adopts the attached Chester County Local Rules of Civil Procedure Governing Custody Mediation Orientation Program. These Rules shall become effective thirty (30) days from the date of publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

The Court Administrator is directed to publish this Order once in the *Chester County Law Reporter* and in the *Legal Intelligencer*. In conformity with Pa.R.C.P. 239, seven (7) certified copies of the within Order shall be filed by the Court Administrator with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts. Two (2) certified copies shall be distributed to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. One (1) certified copy shall be filed with the Domestic Relations Committee. One (1) copy shall be filed with the Prothonotary, one (1) copy with the Clerk of Courts, (1) one copy with the Court Administrator of Chester County, one (1) copy with the Law Library of Chester County and one (1) copy with each Judge of this Court.

By the Court

HOWARD F. RILEY, Jr., President Judge

### Rule \*1940.3. Order for Orientation Session and Mediation. Selection of Mediator.

- (a) Except as provided in (c) below, in an action for custody, partial custody or visitation where an agreement is not reached and reduced to writing by the conclusion of the Custody Conciliation Conference, (see Local Rule 1915.5B) the parties upon recommendation by the conciliator may attend a two-hour custody mediation orientation session.
- (b) An orientation session is an initial meeting between parties, and a mediator pursuant to Local Rule 1940.4 below, to educate the parties concerning the mediation process so that an informed choice can be made about continued participation in that process. The mediation is confidential at the point, if any, that mediation commences during, or after, the initial orientation session.
- (c) An orientation session shall not be recommended if a party or a party's child is or has been the subject of abuse by either party within 24 months preceding the filing of the action.

### Rule \*1940.4. Minimum Qualifications to be a Mediator Under Local Rule 1940.3.

- (a) A mediator must meet the following minimum requirements:
- (1) Hold a post-graduate level degree in law, or a mental health field such as psychiatry, psychology, counseling or family therapy;
- (2) Have successfully completed basic training in a custody mediation program approved by the PBA, or the Academy of Family Mediators, or the Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, or substantial equivalent;
- (3) Provide written proof that Professional Liability Insurance covering mediation is maintained;
- (4) Participation in a program offered by the Family Law Section of the Chester County Bar Association involving substantive law training, training concerning our local child custody procedures, and training concerning the local custody mediation orientation program, including reporting obligations;
- (5) Continued compliance with the ethical standards and any continuing educational requirements of the PBA, or the Academy of Family Mediators, or the Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, or substantial equivalent.
- (b) Mediators shall submit an application and an application fee in the amount of \$100.00. Mediators shall be required to renew their registration as a mediator annually and pay an annual renewal fee of \$25.00.
- (c) The Court shall have the authority to decertify any Chester County custody mediator who has not complied with any provision of these Rules.

### Rule \*1940.5. Duties of Mediator.

- (a) At the orientation session, the mediator must inform the parties in writing of the following:
  - (1) The costs of mediation;
  - (2) The process of mediation;
- (3) That the mediator does not represent either or both of the parties;
- (4) The nature and extent of any relationships with the parties and any personal, financial or other interests that could result in a bias or conflict of interest;
- (5) That mediation is not a substitute for the benefit of independent legal advice; and
- (6) That the parties should obtain legal assistance for drafting or reviewing any agreement.
- (b) When proceeding from the orientation to mediating a custody dispute, the mediator shall ensure that the parties consider fully the best interests of the children.
- (c) Only with the consent of the parties, the mediator may meet with the parties' children or invite other persons to participate in the mediation.

### Rule \*1940.6. Termination of Mediation.

- (a) Mediation, if undertaken after the initial orientation session, shall terminate upon the earliest of the following:
- (1) A written agreement between the parties on all custody issues;

- (2) A written agreement between the parties that mediation be terminated;
- (3) A partial written agreement between the parties concerning custody issues and a determination by the mediator that further mediation will not resolve the remaining issues;
- (4) A written determination by the mediator that the parties are unable to reach an agreement through mediation or that the proceeding is inappropriate for mediation; or
- (5) A refusal of one of the parties to continue with the mediation.
- (b) If the parties reach a complete or partial agreement, the mediator shall promptly prepare and transmit to the parties and their attorneys, if any, a Memorandum setting forth the terms of the parties' agreement. In no event shall any such Memorandum be binding on the parties unless and until it is incorporated into a written agreement signed by the parties.
- (c) The mediator may mediate subsequent disputes between the parties, but shall not act as attorney, counselor, or psychotherapist for any party either during or after the mediation of a custody action, or in any matter which was the subject of mediation.
- (d) The mediator is prohibited from instructing either of the parties to sign any Memorandum Agreement. No mediator drafted Memorandum shall be submitted to the Court in any proceeding, nor is such admissible as evidence in the absence of a written Agreement signed by the parties.

## Rule \*1940.7. Confidentiality of Mediation Subsequent to Initial Orientation Session.

42 Pa.C.S.A. § 5949 shall govern confidentiality and admissibility issues.

### Rule \*1940.8. Mediator Compensation.

Mediators shall be compensated for their orientation services at the rate of \$75.00 per hour. Unless otherwise ordered, the rate established for the custody mediation orientation session shall be divided between the parties.

### Rule \*1940.9. Sanctions.

On its own motion or the motion of a party, the Court may impose sanctions against any party or attorney who fails to comply or causes a party not to comply with these mediation rules. Sanctions may include an award of mediation costs and attorney's fees, including those incurred in the filing and presentation of the motion for sanctions, as well as a finding of contempt. A hearing on a Custody Complaint or Petition shall not be delayed, however, by a party's refusal or failure in attending the mediation orientation sessions.

### Rule \*1040.10. Evaluation of Custody Mediation Orientation Program.

- (a) The Court [or its designee] may evaluate the mediation orientation program annually.
- (b) The President Judge may appoint a judge of the Court to oversee and implement the program consistent with local Court Rules, including, but not limited to, implementing and monitoring the program consistent with Paragraph (a) above.

### Rule \*1040.11. Certificate of Compliance.

A certificate of compliance shall be filed by the mediator with the Prothonotary's Office, confirming compliance. Such certificate shall reflect only that such party or parties have complied with these Rules without further detail (see 42 Pa.C.S.A. § 5949).

### Rule \*1040.12. Available List of Mediators.

The Family Court Administrator shall maintain and make available to all parties and counsel in the Family Court Administrator's Office a list of custody mediators who have satisfied the requirements of Local Rule 1940.4. Such list shall include, at a minimum, the names, addresses and the schedule of fees for mediation services.

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-978. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

### SUPREME COURT

Appointment to Committee on Rules of Evidence; No. 248; Supreme Court Rules; Doc. No. 1

### **Order**

Per Curiam:

And Now, this 25th day of May, 2000, Lee C. Swartz, Esquire, Dauphin County, is hereby appointed as a member of the Committee on Rules of Evidence to complete the remaining term of Raymond J. Bradley, Esquire, expiring on October 1, 2002.

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-979. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

Standards for Passing the Pennsylvania Bar Examination; No. 246; Supreme Court Rules; Doc. No. 1

### Order

Per Curiam:

And Now, to wit, this 22nd day of May, 2000, it is hereby ordered that:

Commencing with the Pennsylvania Bar Examination to be administered in July of 2001, and until further Order of this Court, a successful candidate for admission to the Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in addition to the other examination requirements approved by prior Orders of this Court which are not superseded hereby, must attain a total combined scaled score of at least 272 on the combined scores of the Multistate Bar Examination and the essay portion of the bar examination. There will no longer be a separate passing requirement for the essay and MBE portions of the bar examination. The essay portion of the bar examination. The essay portion of the bar examination will be weighted 55% and the Multistate Bar Examination portion will be weighted 45%.

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-980. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

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# DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE SUPREME COURT

### **Notice of Disbarment**

Notice is hereby given that John E. Callaghan, having been disbarred from the practice of law in the State of New Jersey, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania issued an Order dated May 22, 2000, disbarring John E. Callaghan from the Bar of this Commonwealth. In accordance with Rule 217(f), Pa.R.D.E., since this formerly admitted attorney resides outside of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this notice is published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

ELAINE M. BIXLER.

Executive Director & Secretary The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-981. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

### **Notice of Suspension**

Notice is hereby given that John R. Lolio, Jr., having been suspended from the practice of law in the State of New Jersey for a period of three months by Order of the Supreme Court of New Jersey dated February 8, 2000, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania issued an Order dated May 22, 2000, that John R. Lolio, Jr. is suspended from the practice of law in this Commonwealth for a period of three months. In accordance with the Rule

217(f), Pa.R.D.E., since this formerly admitted attorney resides outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this notice is published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

ELAINE M. BIXLER, Executive Director & Secretary The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

[Pa.B. Doc. No. 00-982. Filed for public inspection June 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m.]

### **Notice of Suspension**

Notice is hereby given that Steven F. Herron having been suspended from the practice of law in the State of New Jersey for a period of three months, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania issued an Order dated May 22, 2000 suspending Steven F. Herron from the practice of law in this Commonwealth for a period of three months, to run consecutively to the one-year suspension imposed by Orders of this Court entered on December 18, 1995, and January 3, 1997. In accordance with Rule 217(f), Pa.R.D.E., since this formerly admitted attorney resides outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this notice is published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

ELAINE M. BIXLER, Executive Director & Secretary The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

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