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June 9, 2005

RE: RULE 31, ARIZONA RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT

Arizona Supreme Court No. R-04-0027

GREETINGS:

The following action was taken by the Supreme Court of the State of Arizona on June 1, 2005, in regard to the above-referenced cause:

ORDERED: Petition to Amend Rule 31, Arizona Rules of the Supreme Court = ADOPTED as modified, effective December 1, 2005.

Noel K Dessaint, Clerk

TO:

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

Supreme Court No. R-04-0027

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CLERK SUPREME COURT
BY

ORDER AMENDING RULE 31, RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT

IT IS ORDERED that Rule 31, Rules of the Supreme Court, be amended in accordance with the attachment hereto,* effective as of December 1, 2005.

DATED in the City of Phoenix, Arizona at the Arizona Courts Building, this $_{6\, {
m th}}$ day of June, 2005.

For the Court:

RUTHLY. McGREGOF Vice Chief Justice

^{*} Changes or additions in text are indicated by <u>underscoring</u> and deletions from text are indicated by strikeouts.

RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT

Rule 31. Regulation of the Practice of Law

- (a) [No change in text.]
- (b) Authority to Practice. Except as hereinafter provided in section (c) (d), no person shall practice law in this state or represent in any way that he or she may practice law in this state unless the person is an active member of the state bar, and no member shall practice law in this state or represent in any way that he or she may practice law in this state, while suspended, disbarred, or on disability inactive status.
- (c) <u>Restrictions on Disbarred Attorneys' and Members' Right to Practice.</u>

 No member who is currently suspended or on disability inactive status and no former member who has been disbarred shall practice law in this state or represent in any way that he or she may practice law in this state.
- (d) Exemptions. Notwithstanding the provisions of section (b), but subject to the limitations of section (c) unless otherwise stated:
 - 1.-16. [No change in text.]
 - 17. Nothing in this rule shall affect the ability of nonlawyer assistants to act under the supervision of a lawyer in compliance with ER 5.3 of the rules of professional conduct. This exemption is not subject to section (c).
 - 18.-22. [No change in text.]
 - 23. Nothing in these rules shall prohibit a certified legal document preparer from performing services in compliance with Arizona Code of Judicial Administration. Part 7, Chapter 2, Section 7-208. This exemption is not subject to paragraph (c) of this rule, as long as the disbarred attorney or member has been certified as provided in § 7-208 of the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration.
 - 24.-26. [No change in text.