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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: COVID-19 PANDEMIC

No. ADM2020-00428

ORDER REGARDING CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chief Justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court has declared a state of emergency for the Judicial Branch of Tennessee government and activated a Continuity of Operations Plan for the Courts of Tennessee. Considering the imminent expiration of the period for lawyers to provide the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education with the Annual Report Statement indicating completion of required continuing legal education hours for 2019 pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 21, section 6.02, and in furtherance of the Judicial Branch's obligation to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19, the Court temporarily suspends Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 21, sections 3.01(c) and 4.02(c), to the extent these provisions limit lawyers to a maximum of eight (8) hours of Distance Learning. Effective immediately and through March 31, 2020, lawyers may earn all or any portion of the required continuing legal education hours for 2019 through approved Distance Learning completed through March 31, 2020.

It is so ORDERED.

PER CURIAM