In the
Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of Waiver of Limitations on Distance Education Courses for Attorneys and Judges.	Supreme Court Case No. 20S-MS-239

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Order

On March 6, 2020, Governor Holcomb declared a public health emergency in Indiana relating to the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and on March 13, President Trump declared a national emergency relating to the virus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has determined that social distancing is necessary to minimize further spread of the virus, and the Indiana State Department of Health has issued and will continue to issue recommendations.

In-person gatherings for continuing legal education are in many instances no longer recommended or permitted for the immediate future. It is important, however, that members of Indiana's Bench and Bar continue their professional development and education and can do so in ways that reflect current circumstances.

The Supreme Court therefore ORDERS that the credit-hour limitations on distance education courses set forth in Indiana Admission and Discipline Rule 28, Sections 3(a) and 3(b), and Rule 29, Section 3(a) are hereby WAIVED for all attorneys, judges, and State Level Judicial Officers whose three-year Educational Period or Judicial Officer Educational Period ends on December 31, 2020. Those credit-hour limitations are AMENDED for all other attorneys, judges, and State Level Judicial Officers as follows: Judges and attorneys whose educational periods expire on or before December 31, 2022 may obtain no more than 24 hours of distance education; and State Level Judicial Officers whose educational period expires on or before December 31, 2022, may obtain no more than 36 hours by distance education.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 3/31/2020.

Loretta H. Rush
Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.