

VIRGINIA:

In the Supreme Court of Virginia held at the Supreme Court Building in the City of Richmond on Wednesday, the 23rd day of December 2020.

It is ordered that the Rules heretofore adopted and promulgated by this Court and now in effect be and they hereby are amended to become effective February 22, 2021.

On October 30, 2020, came the Virginia State Bar, by Brian L. Buniva, its President, and Karen A. Gould, its Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, and presented to the Court a petition, approved by the Council of the Virginia State Bar, praying that Paragraph 13-6.D, Part Six, Section IV of the Rules of Court, be amended. The petition is approved and Paragraph 13-6.D is amended to read as follows:

13. Procedure for Disciplining, Suspending, and Disbarring Attorneys.

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13-6. DISCIPLINARY BOARD

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13-6.D. Meetings and Quorum. The Board shall meet on reasonable notice by the Chair or a Vice Chair. A Panel of five members shall constitute a quorum, and the action of a majority of a Panel shall constitute action of the Board. For the exclusive purposes of considering an Agreed Disposition, pursuant to subparagraph 13-6.H, a Panel may act in a meeting in person or through any means of communication by which all five members participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting. One of the five persons assigned to any Panel shall be a present or former nonlawyer member unless the scheduled nonlawyer is unable to attend and an alternate nonlawyer member or former member is not reasonably available. In such event, participation by a nonlawyer shall not be required in any proceeding if a quorum is otherwise present.

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