

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Amendment
of the
Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawaii

ORDER AMENDING RULE 1.14 OF THE RULES
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

____ (By: Moon, C.J., Levinson, Nakayama, Acoba, and Duffy, JJ.)

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Rule 1.14 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawaii, is amended, effective January 1, 2008, nunc pro tunc, as follows (deleted material is bracketed and stricken; new material is underscored):

1.14. Mandatory professionalism course.

(a) Professionalism Course. Each person licensed to practice law after July 1, 2001, shall, no later than [~~one (1) year after~~] December 31 of the year following the year of election of active status, complete a Hawaii Professionalism course conducted under the joint sponsorship of the Hawaii State Bar and the Supreme Court of Hawaii. This rule applies to every license issued after July 1, 2001, pursuant to any part of Rule 1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawaii, except Rules 1.9 and 1.13

(b) Proof of Compliance. Proof of compliance shall be in accordance with procedures established by the Hawaii State Bar.

(c) Administrative Suspension. Failure to complete the professionalism course within [~~one (1) year after election of active status~~] the time period specified above in (a) shall result in automatic suspension of the license to practice law. The Hawaii State Bar shall give written notice of the suspension, but failure to give notice will not justify or excuse practicing while suspended.

(d) Reinstatement. An attorney suspended under paragraph (c) shall be reinstated upon proof of completion of the course.

(e) Fees. The Hawai i State Bar may assess and collect reasonable fees for attending the course, for providing notice of suspension, and for processing reinstatement requests.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai i, September 19, 2008.