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AN ACT

To amend Supreme Court Rule 14.06, Missouri Rules of Court, 2005, relating to admission without examination.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Missouri Supreme Court Rule 14.06, Missouri Rules of Court, is amended so that, as amended, it will read as follows:

14.06 Admission without examination

- 2 (a) A certified court reporter certificate issued before December 31, 2001, and in good standing on that date shall remain in full force and effect unless thereafter revoked or suspended 4 as provided by Rule 14.
- 5 (b) Until July 1, 2002, upon application and payment of a \$100 fee, a court reporter who 6 holds a certificate, as hereafter specified, that was valid and current on December 31, 2001, from 7 any of the following organizations shall be issued a certificate without examination:
- 8 (1) A Missouri certified shorthand reporter certificate from the National Court Reporters 9 Association;
- 10 (2) A registered professional reporter certificate from the National Court Reporters 11 Association;
- 12 (3) A certified verbatim reporter certificate from the National Verbatim Reporters 13 Association:
- 14 (c) A person shall be issued a certificate containing the designation "(G)" if the person:

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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15 (1) Verifies upon written affidavit from three current members of the Missouri Bar in 16 good standing that the person has been actively engaged in the practice of court reporting in this 17 state in the 24 months preceding December 31, 2001;

(2) Makes application and pays a \$100 fee before July 1, 2002.

The "(G)" designation indicates that the person has not completed the testing requirements as a certified court reporter, but is permitted to continue the practice of court reporting.

No certificate pursuant to this Rule 14.06(c) shall issue after July 1, 2002.

- (d) A person who has not been actively engaged in the practice of court reporting for a period of 24 months preceding December 31, 2001, has 24 months after December 31, 2001, to pass the certified court reporter examination. The person may be awarded a temporary certificate by the board upon application and payment of the required application fees. The temporary certificate shall be valid for a period of 24 months and shall [not] be renewable **once**.
- (e) A graduate of an accredited school of court reporting recognized by the board shall be awarded a temporary certificate upon initial application for certification testing to the board and payment of the required application fees. The temporary certificate shall be valid for a period of 24 months and shall [not] be renewable **once**.
- (f) A court reporter who has not successfully passed an examination for certification as designated in Rule 14.06(a) or Rule 14.06(b) shall not be appointed as an official court reporter in any circuit court in this state.

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