IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 01 - 9180

ORDER AMENDING DECEMBER 14, 1981, ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS ESTABLISHING THE COLLEGE OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the State Bar of Texas, at its regular meeting of June 14, 2001, determined the College of the State Bar of Texas (hereinafter called the College) to be an entity defined by Section 6.04 of the State Bar Board of Directors' Policy Manual entitled "Associated Boards and Related Groups," and approved rules to govern the College relating to the composition of its board, the method of appointment of its board members, the authorization of the College's board to elect its presiding officer and other officers, the submission of an annual budget in conjunction with the State Bar of Texas' annual budget, the authorization of the College to charge fees with the approval of the State Bar Board, the adoption of updated bylaws, the execution of management agreements with the State Bar of Texas for administrative support including data management and staffing, and the submission of written reports twice annually, and

WHEREAS, the College has drafted new bylaws consistent with the State Bar board resolution and has taken the necessary steps to comply with the other requirements of the resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of Texas established the College of the State Bar of Texas by order dated December 14, 1981, requiring the State Bar to draft

rules for the administration of the College and setting out the criteria for membership, and

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the College assembled pursuant to the State Bar board resolution on June 15, 2001, has unanimously adopted a new mission statement for the College the text of which is as follows:

The purpose of the College of the State Bar of Texas is:

- 1. to recognize and encourage lawyers who maintain and enhance their professional skills and the quality of their service to the public by significant voluntary participation in legal education;
- 2. to promote among members of the State Bar and the general public the educational and public purposes of the College and its members;
- 3. to recognize and encourage outstanding service to the legal profession and the public; and
- 4. to sponsor or otherwise assist in educational activities of significant merit and widespread relevance and applicability to the legal profession; and

WHEREAS, the board of the College, with the intention of seeking taxdeductible donations in support of the above purposes, seeks to incorporate the College under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act exclusively for such charitable and educational purposes as may qualify it as an organization described in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority conferred on the Supreme Court by Texas Constitution, Article V, Section 31, and by Texas Government Code Section 81.011, as

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well as the inherent powers of this Court to regulate the practice of law, it is Ordered that the Order of this Court of December 14, 1981, is amended, that the College of the State Bar of Texas is established for the purposes enumerated above, and that the College is directed to pursue incorporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act in furtherance of purposes not inconsistent with this Order.

It is further ORDERED that this amendment to the order of this Court dated December 14, 1981, will be effective on and after January 1, 2002.

SIGNED this $25 \stackrel{4}{=}$ day of October 2001.

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

Craig T. Enoch, Justice

Priscilla R. Owen, Justice

James A. Baker, Justice

Deborah G. Hankinson, Justice

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Harriet O'Neill, Justice

Wallace B. Jefferson, Justice

Xavier Rodriguez, Justice

Petition to Amend the Order of the Supreme Court Dated December 14, 1981, Establishing the College of the State Bar of Texas

TO THE HONORABLE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS:

COMES NOW the board of directors of the College of the State Bar of Texas, by and through the undersigned, and would respectfully represent to the Supreme Court of Texas the following:

I.

The Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas, at its regular meeting of June 14, 2001, determined the College of the State Bar of Texas (hereinafter called the College) to be an entity defined by Section 6.04 of the State Bar Board of Directors' Policy Manual entitled "Associated Boards and Related Groups," and approved rules to govern the College relating to the composition of its board, the method of appointment of its board members, the authorization of the College's board to elect its presiding officer and other officers, the submission of an annual budget in conjunction with the State Bar of Texas' annual budget, the authorization of the College to charge fees with the approval of the State Bar Board, the adoption of updated bylaws, the execution of management agreements with the State Bar of Texas for administrative support including data management and staffing, and the submission of written reports twice annually.

II.

The College has drafted new bylaws consistent with the State Bar board resolution and has taken the necessary steps to comply with the other requirements of the resolution.

The Supreme Court of the State of Texas established the College of the State Bar of Texas by order dated December 14, 1981, requiring the State Bar to draft rules for the administration of the College and setting out the criteria for membership.

IV.

The board of directors of the College assembled pursuant to the State Bar board resolution on June 15, 2001, has unanimously adopted a new mission statement for the College the text of which is as follows:

The purpose of the College of the State Bar of Texas is:

- to recognize and encourage lawyers who maintain and enhance their professional skills and the quality of their service to the public by significant voluntary participation in legal education;
- 2. to promote among members of the State Bar and the general public the educational and public purposes of the College and its members;
- 3. to recognize and encourage outstanding service to the legal profession and the public; and
- 4. to sponsor or otherwise assist in educational activities of significant merit and widespread relevance and applicability to the legal profession.

V.

The board of directors of the College, with the intention of seeking tax-deductible donations in support of the above purposes, seeks to incorporate the College under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act exclusively for such charitable and educational

purposes as may qualify it as an organization described in Section 501 (c) (3) of the

Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

WHEREFORE, the board of directors of the College of the State Bar of Texas

respectfully requests the Supreme Court to amend the Order of the order of the Supreme

Court dated December 14, 1981, to establish the College of the State Bar of Texas for the

purposes enumerated above, and to direct the College is to pursue incorporation under the

Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act in furtherance of such purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott D. Allen

Chair

The College of the State Bar of Texas