ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 01- 9023

Amending Rules and Procedures Governing the Administration of the Basic Civil Legal Services Program, Including the Distribution of and Sanctions with Respect to the Funds

The Supreme Court of Texas amends Rule 9.7(ii) of the Rules and Procedures Governing the Administration of the Basic Civil Legal Services Program, to read as follows:

- ii In compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, overhead expenses may be allocated to the grant, but are limited to the lesser of the following:
 - 1. The dollar amount specified in the Approved Funds Budget; or
- 2. The dollar amount calculated by the percentage ratio of indirect expenses to direct expenses calculated on an entity-wide basis. That is, the indirect expense to direct expense ratio from the Approved Funds Budget cannot exceed the same ratio on an entity-wide basis.

Overhead expenses are those that are fungible in nature in that they cannot be separately identified as having been incurred for a specific purpose. Some examples of overhead expenses are occupancy, office supplies, utilities, telephone, and other equipment.

For ease of accounting, the effective date of this rule change is September 1, 2000, to coincide with the 2000-2001 grant year.

In Chambers, this 6 day of January, 2001. This order supercedes Misc. Docket No. 00-9170, signed November 7, 2000.

Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

Nathan L. Hecht, Justice

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