## Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 2—Practice and Procedure

### PROPOSED RESCISSION

4 CSR 240-2.040 Practice Before the Commission. This rule set forth who may practice as an attorney before the commission.

PURPOSE: This rule is being rescinded and resubmitted to avoid confusion because of the many changes being proposed.

AUTHORITY: section 386.410, RSMo 1994. Original rule filed Dec. 19, 1975, effective Dec. 29, 1975. Amended: Filed Nov. 7, 1984, effective June 15, 1985. Rescinded and readopted: Filed March 10, 1995, effective Nov. 30, 1995. Rescinded: Filed Aug. 24, 1999.

PUBLIC ENTITY COST: This proposed rescission will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than \$500 in the aggregate.

PRIVATE ENTITY COST: This proposed rescission will not cost private entities more than \$500 in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rescission with the Missouri Public Service Commission, Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considereds comments shall be filed on or before November 1, 1999. Comments should refer to Case No. AX-2000-110 and be filed with an original and fourteen copies. No public hearing is scheduled.

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- (1) The general counsel represents the staff in investigations, contested cases and other proceedings and appears for the commission in all courts and before federal regulatory bodies; and in general performs all duties and services as attorney and counsel to the commission which the commission may reasonably require.
- (2) The public counsel represents the interests of the public before the commission.
- (3) Attorneys who wish to practice before the commission shall fully comply with its rules and also comply with one (1) of the following criteria:
- (A) An attorney who is licensed to practice law in the state of Missouri, and in good standing, may practice before the commis-
- (B) A nonresident attorney who is a member of the Missouri Bar in good standing, but who does not maintain an office for the practice of law within the state of Missouri, may appear as in the case of a resident attorney;
- (C) Any attorney who is not a member of the Missouri Bar, but who is a member in good standing of the bar of any court of record may petition the commission for leave to be permitted to appear

and participate in a particular case under all of the following conditions:

- 1. The visiting attorney shall file in a separate pleading a statement identifying each court of which that attorney is a member and certifying that neither the visiting attorney nor any member of the attorney's firm is disqualified to appear in any of these
- 2. The statement shall designate some member in good standing of the Missouri Bar having an office within Missouri as associate counsel; and
- 3. The designated Missouri attorney shall simultaneously enter an appearance as an attorney of record.
- (4) An eligible law student may petition the commission to be allowed to appear. Such application must comply with any applicable rules or statutes.
- (5) Practice by Nonattorneys. A natural person may represent himself or herself. Such practice is strictly limited to the appearance of a natural person on his or her own behalf and shall not be made for any other person or entity.
- (6) After an attorney has entered an appearance for any party, the attorney may withdraw only by leave of the commission.

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4 CSR 240-2.050 Computation of Effective Dates. This rule set standards for computation of effective dates of any order or time prescribed by the commission when no specific date was set by commission order.

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