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OPERATING MANUAL OF THE STANDING JUDICIAL COMMISSION AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE 50th GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2023

ITEM 1: Amend OMSJC 2.12.c as follows. - [Updates citation reference to RONR.]

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c. To maintain order and decorum at meetings the procedures and sanctions of RONR (12th ed.) 61:6-61:21, shall be available to the Commission, except that the Commission may not suspend the rights of membership or expel a member from the Commission.

ITEM 2: Amend *OMSJC* **4.2** as follows.– [Reduces time required for calling a non-physical SJC meeting to 14 days.]

- **4.2** In addition to the stated meetings specified in Section 4.1, the Commission may hold special meetings, provided such special meetings shall be called by one of the following methods, to-wit:
 - a. The Officers of the Commission may call a special <u>in-person</u> meeting at any time upon at least 30 days' notice, <u>or a special phone or videoconference</u> meeting upon at least 14 days' notice.
 - b. The Commission, at any stated meeting, may announce a call of a special meeting, provided the time and place is specified in the call. A notice of the call of the special meeting shall be sent immediately by the Stated Clerk to all absent Commission members.
 - c. If at least six Commission members request, in writing, a special called meeting, the Chairman and Secretary shall issue a call within 10 days from receipt of the request.

The call of a special meeting shall specify the business to be considered at the meeting, and no other business may be considered except by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of those members present and voting, which in no case shall be less than 13 affirmative votes of members of the Commission. Further, no action may be taken on any case not specified in the call. The Officers may amend the call for the consideration of additional business if notice thereof is sent by mail or electronic means to the Commission members no less than 14 days before the date of the meeting.

No special <u>in-person</u> meeting of the SJC shall be scheduled less than 30 days after the date on which the call is issued.

— Any special called meeting under this Section 4.2 may be held by telephone conference call.

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- **ITEM 3**: Amend *OMSJC* **8.4.a** and **b** as follows.– [Increases font size for Preliminary Briefs and increases page length to accommodate it.]
 - **8.4.** a, Any brief filed hereunder must be typewritten or printed on 8-1/2 x 11 inch paper, with no smaller than 10 12 point type, with 1 inch margin on all sides, line numbering that restarts on each page, and may be single spaced. Pages must be numbered.
 - b. The preliminary brief filed by a party shall not exceed $\frac{10}{12}$ pages in length. Any supplemental brief filed by a party shall not exceed $\frac{5}{6}$ pages in length.

ITEM 4: Amend OMSJC 8.4.a as follows.- [Requires briefs to be filed electronically.]

8.4 a. Any brief filed hereunder must be typewritten <u>All briefs shall also be filed by</u> <u>electronic means with the Stated Clerk.</u>