

COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINARY RULES AND REFERENDA

Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct

Proposed Rule 1.18. Duties to Prospective Client

Below is the timeline for proposed Rule 1.18 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, relating to duties to prospective clients.

INITIATED – June 18, 2020

PUBLICATION – A proposed rule is withdrawn if it is not published in (1) the Texas Register and (2) the Texas Bar Journal within six months of initiation of the rule proposal process.

- **Texas Register – August 21, 2020 (Complete)**
- **Texas Bar Journal – September 2020 (Complete)**

NOTE: Publications will include details on dates and participation methods for the comment period and the public hearing.

COMMENT PERIOD – The Committee shall give interested parties at least 30 days from the date a proposed rule is published to submit comments on the rule to the Committee.

The Committee will accept public comments through **October 6, 2020**.

PUBLIC HEARING – The Committee held a public hearing by teleconference on **September 17, 2020**.

FINAL VOTE BY COMMITTEE – The Committee shall vote on whether to recommend a proposed rule to the Board of Directors not later than the 60th day after the final day of the comment period. This vote must be held at a meeting open to the public and with notice to the public.

At its **October 7, 2020**, meeting, the Committee voted to recommend the proposed rule to the Board of Directors (with certain amendments).