

COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINARY RULES AND REFERENDA

Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct

Rule 4.02. Communication with One Represented by Counsel

Below is the timeline for proposed changes to Rule 4.02 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, relating to communication with one represented by counsel.

INITIATED – February 1, 2023

The Committee voted to initiate proposed Rule 4.02.

PUBLICATION – A proposed rule is withdrawn if it is not published in (1) the Texas Register and (2) the Texas Bar Journal within six months of initiation of the rule proposal process.

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

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.

PUBLIC HEARING – TBD

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.