

ATTENTION COURT REPORTERS:

The Supreme Court has issued the following per curiam regarding continuing education credits in excess of the required thirty (30) credits.

Please read this per curiam carefully.

SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No.

IN RE: RULE PROVIDING
FOR CERTIFICATION OF
COURT REPORTERS

March 16, 2006

PER CURIAM

The Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners has recommended amendments to the Rule. We have considered the Board's proposal and agree with it. We thank the Board for its work.

We hereby amend, effective immediately, and republish Section 10 of the Rule. The changes made are illustrated in the endnote.¹

RULE PROVIDING FOR CERTIFICATION OF COURT REPORTERS

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Section 10. Continuing education requirement

[In General]

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