## **VIRGINIA:**

In the Supreme Court of Virginia held at the Supreme Court Building in the City of Richmond on Friday the 3rd day of September, 2021.

It is ordered that the Rules heretofore adopted and promulgated by this Court and now in effect are hereby amended, effective immediately.

Amend Rule 1:5(f)(5) as follows:

## RULES OF SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA PART ONE RULES APPLICABLE TO ALL PROCEEDINGS

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## Rule 1:5. Counsel and Parties Appearing Without Counsel.

- (a) (1) When used in these Rules, the word "counsel" includes a partnership, a professional corporation or an association of members of the Virginia State Bar practicing under a firm name.
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  - (f) Limited Scope Appearance; Notice; Service; Completion or Termination of Appearance.
- (1) Notice of Limited Scope Appearance by a Qualified Legal Services Provider. In any civil court proceeding an attorney may file and serve on all parties a notice of limited-scope appearance: (A) providing evidence that the attorney is (i) employed by a qualified legal services provider, as that is defined in Section IV, Paragraph 3(e) of the Rules for Integration of the Virginia State Bar, Part Six of the Rules of Court (hereafter "QLSP"), or (ii) acting pro bono on a direct referral from a QLSP; (B) stating that the attorney and the party have a written agreement that the attorney will make a limited scope appearance in such action; and (C) specifying the matters, hearings, or issues on which the attorney will appear for the party.
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- (5) Pilot Project. The provisions of this subpart (f) will remain in effect until December 31, 2023, unless by Order of the Supreme Court operation of these provisions is ended, modified, or

extended; except that any limited scope appearance commenced prior to December 31, 2023, may be completed in accordance with these provisions.

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Acting Clerk