

Rule 14-722. Rule Waiver.

(a) Petition to waive a rule. An Applicant may petition the Supreme Court to waive a rule by filing a petition for rule waiver with the Supreme Court clerk. At the time of filing the petition for rule waiver, the Applicant must pay the applicable filing fee to the Supreme Court clerk. The clerk will not accept a petition for rule waiver unless the filing fee is paid.

(A) The petition must state the name of the petitioner and designate the Bar as respondent.

The petition is limited to 7,000 words and must contain the following:

(1) a statement of the issues presented and the relief sought;

(2) a statement of the facts supporting the relief requested;

(3) the legal argument supporting the petitioner's request;

(4) a statement indicating whether the Applicant has taken any steps to seek a rule change from the Supreme Court;

(5) a certificate reflecting service of the petition on the Bar's General Counsel; and

(6) a certificate reflecting compliance with the word limitation.

(b) Response. Unless the Court otherwise directs, the Bar may file a response to the petition within 14 calendar days of the date the petition was served on the Bar. The response is limited to 7,000 words, and it must contain a certificate reflecting service of the response on the petitioner and a certificate reflecting compliance with the word limitation.

(c) Reply. The petitioner may file a reply within seven days after service of the Bar's response on petitioner. A reply is limited to responding to the facts and arguments raised in the Bar's response and cannot exceed 3,500 words. The reply must contain certificates reflecting service of the reply on the Bar's General Counsel and compliance with the word limitation.

24 **(d) Oral argument; notice of decision.** The Supreme Court clerk will notify the parties if any
25 additional briefing or oral argument is permitted. Upon entry of the Supreme Court's decision, the
26 clerk will give notice of the decision.

27 Effective: TBD