

1 **Rule 14-410. Accreditation of CLE; undue hardship and special Accreditation.**

2 (a) **Permitted number of Elective CLE hours.** Unless the Board grants an undue
3 hardship waiver under Subsection (f), a lawyer or paralegal practitioner may not count
4 ~~Self-Study-Elective~~ CLE hours towards more than half the amount of Accredited CLE
5 required of the lawyer or paralegal practitioner during a Compliance Cycle.

6 (b) **Accredited CLE requirements.** Accredited CLE activities provided by this article
7 must:

8 (1) have as their primary objective to increase lawyers' or paralegal practitioners'
9 professional competency;

10 (2) be comprised of subject matter directly related to the practice of law; and

11 (3) comply with the specific requirements set forth in this article with respect to each
12 activity.

13 (c) **Board to assign credit hours.** The Board shall assign an appropriate number of
14 credit hours to each Accredited CLE activity.

15 (d) **Ethics CLE.** All courses or components of courses offered to fulfill the Ethics CLE
16 requirement under 14-404(a) must be specifically Accredited by the Board.

17 (e) **Professionalism and Civility.** All courses or components of courses offered to fulfill
18 the Professionalism and Civility CLE requirement under 14-404(a) must be specifically
19 Accredited by the Board.

20 (f) **Undue hardship; special Accreditation.**

21 (1) Formal instruction or educational seminars that meet the requirements of
22 paragraph (a) lend themselves well to the fulfillment of the educational requirement
23 imposed by this article and will be readily Accredited by the Board.

24 (2) It is not intended that compliance with this article will impose any undue
25 hardship upon any lawyer or paralegal practitioner because the lawyer or paralegal

26 practitioner may find it difficult to attend such activities because of health or other
27 special reasons.

28 (3) In addition to Accrediting formal instruction at centralized locations, the Board,
29 in its discretion, may Accredite such CLE including, but not limited to, audio and
30 video presentations, webcasts, computer interactive ~~telephonic~~ programs, teaching,
31 preparation of articles and other meritorious learning experiences as provided in
32 this article.