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**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM**

**RE: ) PROMULGATION ORDER NO.: 04-002**  
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**AMENDMENTS TO THE )**  
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**GUAM RULES OF )**  
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**PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT )**

On September 29, 2003, the matter of amendments to the Guam Rules of Professional Conduct came before the Supreme Court for action.

Prior to that, in June of 2002, the Guam Bar Ethics Committee was tasked with reviewing the 2002 American Bar Association Model Rules of Professional Conduct for adoption by the Supreme Court of Guam. The Ethics Committee solicited comments from the membership of the Guam Bar Association and received one response. On February 12, 2003, the Ethics Committee submitted its report recommending that the Supreme Court adopt the model rules without changes.

In October of 2002, the Subcommittee on Multijurisdictional Practice was formed to review the recommendations of the 2002 ABA Commission on Multijurisdictional Practice on rules which address the growing needs of clients for legal assistance in business transactions in multiple jurisdiction due to the globalization of business and finance. The Subcommittee solicited comments from the membership of the Guam Bar Association and received no responses. On February 18, 2003, the Subcommittee submitted its report recommending the adoption of the ABA Model Rule on the Multijurisdictional Practice of Law (Rule 5.5 of the Model Rules of Professional Conduct), and the ABA Model Rule on Disciplinary Authority; Choice of Law (Rule 8.5 of the Model Rules of Professional Conduct).

Upon the recommendation of the Guam Bar Ethics Committee and the Subcommittee on Multijurisdictional Practice, and under the authority granted by the Organic Act of Guam at 48 U.S.C. § 1424-1(c) and by 7 GCA § 9101, on September 29, 2003, the Supreme Court adopted the