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Chief Administrative Judge Zayas Announces New Biennial Attorney Registration Reporting Requirement

NEW YORK—In consultation with Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson and the Administrative Board of the New York State Courts, Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas has signed an administrative order amending the Rules of the Chief Administrator (22 NYCRR § 118.1 & 118.3), now requiring all New York attorneys to report information in their biennial registrations regarding other jurisdictions where they are admitted to practice law. The new reporting obligations will become effective on **December 1, 2024**. All registrations must be filed via the mandatory online system.

The amendment first requires attorneys to list any admissions (excluding pro hac vice admissions) in other U.S. states and territories, U.S. federal courts, or jurisdictions outside of the U.S. In addition, the new requirement will also ask attorneys to confirm whether they remain in good standing in those jurisdictions. Finally, the amendment requires all attorneys to disclose whether they have ever been the subject of public discipline in any other jurisdiction and, if so, when they provided notice to the New York State Courts as outlined in the Joint Rules of the Appellate Divisions (22 NYCRR § 1240.13).

Attorneys admitted in New York may verify their registration status and the date of their next biennial registration by logging into their <u>Online Services account</u> or by reviewing their listing in the public <u>Directory of NY Attorneys</u>.