SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 04-18

(Proposed Probate Division Attorney Practice Standards)

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2002, Administrative Order 02-07 was issued establishing the Probate Education Committee and tasking it with the responsibility of developing a comprehensive training program to provide information on best practices for the local fiduciary Bar and to establish standards for participation in the Probate Division's fiduciary appointment list; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive training program was developed and was implemented in October 2002 and is ongoing; and

WHEREAS, the Probate Education Committee has forwarded to the Chief Judge proposed Probate Division Attorney Practice Standards for review and publication for public comment; and

WHEREAS, Bar Counsel for the District of Columbia and her staff have reviewed and commented on the standards and recommended improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Proposed Probate Attorney Practice Standards issued herewith are published for public comment; and it is further

ORDERED, that all comments shall be submitted in writing to the Honorable José Lopéz, Presiding Judge, Probate and Tax Divisions and the Honorable Franklin Burgess, Deputy Presiding Judge, Probate and Tax Divisions by October 15, 2004.

BY THE COURT: September 14, 2004

/s/

Rufus G. King, III Chief Judge

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