

Recent Changes to the Advertising and Solicitation Rules: **The Highlights**

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New Texas Advertising Rules: Effective July 1, 2021



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Old Advertising and Solicitation Rules (Before July 2021)

Old Rule	Subjects Covered
7.01	Firm name; letterhead
7.02	False, misleading communication; specialization
7.03	In person, telephone contact; gifts, payments for solicitation; referrals
7.04	Advertising
7.05	Written solicitations, review and retention requirements
7.06	Prohibited employment that results from a rule violation
7.07	Filing requirements for advertisements and written solicitations

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7.04	Advertising <u>Filing requirements for advertisements and solicitations</u>
7.05	Written solicitations, review and retention requirements <u>Communications exempt from filing requirements</u>
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Current Advertising and Solicitation Rules (Post-July 2021)

Current Rule	Subjects Covered
7.01	Communications concerning a lawyer's services; definitions
7.02	Advertisements
7.03	Solicitation and other prohibited communications
7.04	Filing requirements for advertisements and solicitations
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Rule 7.01: General Prohibition Against False and Misleading Statements

“A lawyer shall not make or sponsor a false or misleading communication about the qualifications or services of a lawyer or law firm. Information about legal services must be truthful and nondeceptive.”

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