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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

RE: **ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT TO RULE 1.2(d) OF THE GUAM RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT**	SUPREME COURT CASE NO. PRM19-001 **PROMULGATION ORDER NO. 19-001-01**

The Supreme Court of Guam has considered the amendment to Rule 1.2(d) of the Guam Rules of Professional Conduct, as proposed by the Guam Bar Association through its Resolution No. 2019-001, to address the ethical implications of advising clients on Guam's marijuana and cannabis-related laws. Notice and an opportunity for comment were given to the Guam Bar Association members.

On consideration thereof, and pursuant to the authority to "govern attorney and judicial ethics and the practice of law in Guam, including admission to practice law and the conduct and discipline of persons admitted to practice law," 48 U.S.C. § 1424-1(a)(7), the Supreme Court hereby amends and restates Rule 1.2(d) to read as follows (amendment underlined):

Rule 1.2. Scope Of Representation And Allocation Of Authority Between Client And Lawyer.

. . .

(d) A lawyer shall not counsel a client to engage, or assist a client, in conduct that the lawyer knows is criminal or fraudulent, but a lawyer may discuss the legal consequences of any proposed course of conduct with a client and may counsel or assist a client to make a good faith effort to determine the validity, scope, meaning or application of the law. A lawyer may counsel or assist a client regarding Guam's marijuana and cannabis-related laws. If Guam law differs from federal law, the lawyer shall also advise the client regarding federal law and policy.

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The above amendment shall be effective as of the date of this Order.

SO ORDERED this 8th day of November, 2019.

/s/
F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO
Associate Justice

/s/
ROBERT J. TORRES
Associate Justice

/s/
KATHERINE A. MARAMAN
Chief Justice