

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that all newly admitted attorneys shall, on the date of their admission, pay the sum of \$1.00 to defray the cost of the issuance of a certificate of registration for the remainder of the year of their admission.

Dated: December 12, 1973.

BY THE COURT



Chief Justice

SUPREME COURT
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JOHN McCARTHY
CLERK

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Judge Knutson:

Based on the attached memo from Helen Peiffer, we feel that, in addition to the \$7.00 for a certificate of admission, we should charge \$1.00 for a registration card to the new attorneys. This would eliminate the present fragmented and piecemeal handling of the problem and would defray a hidden charge in the registration program. What do you think?

Clerk's Office

I have conferred with some of the other members of the Court. We see no objection to either suggestion - K

December 7, 1973

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: John McCarthy

FROM: Helen Peiffer

Pursuant to our conversation of yesterday, this memo is submitted to outline our situation regarding issuance of registration cards to attorneys during the first year of admission. The rules of registration exempt them from payment of a registration fee during the first year of admission.

For those admitted in the October group, in cases where a card is required for court and jail purposes, I have been urging the newly admitted attorney to submit a check for the upcoming year's registration, which will place a card in his hands at the earliest possible moment and eliminate the necessity of providing a provisional card for a one or two-month period.

For those admitted earlier in the year we have so many requests for provisional cards, it has been our practice to issue a card without charging a fee. Our computer system does not permit us to prepare a card manually, and it must be done through a routine computer process. We have estimated that it costs approximately \$1.00 in computer and clerical time, plus postage, to enter each new admittee on the system and produce a registration card.

During our discussion yesterday, we again considered the advisability of charging an additional \$1.00 to the \$7.00 charge for the engraved certificate, to defray the cost of furnishing a provisional card to those admitted prior to October, and also considered the possibility of charging all new admittees, regardless of the month of admission, the additional \$1.00 to defray the costs of the original computer entry.

Because we emphasize the need for each attorney to have proper evidence of current registration and right to practice, it places newly admitted attorneys in an awkward position if they do not have such identification in their possession immediately upon admission.

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