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March 2, 1982

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Honorable Douglas K. Amdahl
Chief Justice
Supreme Court of Minnesota
State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: LPRB Petition for Increase in Attorney Registration Fee

Dear Judge Amdahl:

Pursuant to the Board's direction, I am hereby filing a Petition for an increase in the attorney registration fee to be effective July 1, 1982.

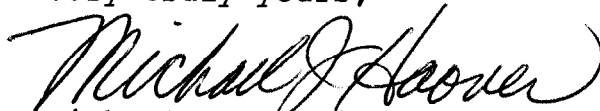
The Petition proposes that the total fee for most practicing lawyers be raised from \$45 to \$70 with an increase from \$33 to \$58 in the amount of said fee allocated to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board. The Petition also proposes that those lawyers who currently pay \$20 should pay \$23 with an increase from \$8 to \$11 in the amount of said fee allocated to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board.

At its January meeting, the Board determined that \$575,000 is necessary for the operation of the Board during the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 1982. The sums contained in the Petition are based upon information from Judy Rehak's office concerning the total revenue which can be expected to be realized by raising the registration fee to various levels. I will supply further documentation to the Court prior to any hearing or at such other time as the Court may direct.

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We request that the Court set this matter on for hearing as soon is practicable as the maintenance of the Board's current operations requires the increase of revenue by July 1, 1982, and as the administrative offices of the Court need ample lead time prior to July 1, 1982, to put any increase into effect.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael J. Hoover". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Michael J. Hoover
Director

MJH/cb

Enclosure

cc: Associate Justices of Supreme Court
LPRB Executive Committee
John McCarthy, Clerk of Supreme Court
Judy Rehak

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

FILE NO. A-9

In Re Petition of the Lawyers
Professional Responsibility Board
for Amendment of Rules Relating
to Registration of Attorneys.

PETITION

TO THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, AND
TO DOUGLAS K. AMDAHL, CHIEF JUSTICE:

The Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board hereby petitions the Court to adopt, effective with payments due on and after July 1, 1982, the following amendments to Rule 2, Rules for Registration of Attorneys:

RULE 2. REGISTRATION FEE

"In order to defray the expenses of examinations and investigations for admission to the bar and disciplinary proceedings, over and above the amount paid by applicants for such admission, with exceptions hereinafter enumerated, each attorney admitted to practice law in this State and those members of the judiciary who are required to be admitted to practice as a prerequisite to holding office shall hereafter annually pay to the clerk of the supreme court a registration fee in the sum of ~~Forty-five~~ Seventy Dollars ~~(\$45.00)~~ (\$70.00) or in such lesser sum as the Court may annually hereafter determine.

"Such fee, or a portion thereof, shall be paid on or before the first day of January, April, July, or October of each year as requested by the clerk of the supreme court. All sums so received shall be allocated as follows:

\$7.00 to the State Board of Law Examiners

\$5.00 to the State Board of Continuing Legal Education

~~\$33.00~~ \$58.00 to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board

"The following attorneys and judges shall pay an annual registration fee of ~~Twenty~~ Twenty-Three Dollars ~~(~~\$20.00~~)~~ (\$23.00):

- (a) Any attorney or judge whose permanent residence is outside the State of Minnesota and who does not practice law within the State;
- (b) Any attorney who has not been admitted to practice for more than three years;
- (c) Any attorney while on duty in the armed forces of the United States;

"The ~~Twenty~~ Twenty-Three Dollars ~~(~~\$20.00~~)~~ (\$23.00) so received shall be allocated as follows:

\$7.00 to the State Board of Law Examiners

\$5.00 to the State Board of Continuing Legal Education

~~\$8.00~~ \$11.00 to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board

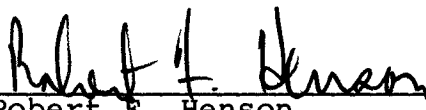
"Any attorney who is retired from any gainful employment or permanently disabled, and who files annually with the Clerk of the Supreme Court an affidavit that he is so retired or disabled and not engaged in the practice of law, shall be placed in a fee-exempt category and shall remain in good standing. An attorney claiming retired or permanently disabled status who subsequently resumes active practice of law shall promptly file notice of such change of status with the clerk of the supreme court and pay the annual registration fee.

"Any judge who is retired from any gainful employment or permanently disabled, who no longer serves on the bench or practices law, and who files annually with the clerk of the supreme court an affidavit that he is so retired or disabled and not engaged in the practice of law, shall be placed in a fee-exempt category and shall remain in good standing. A judge claiming retired or permanently disabled status who subsequently resumes service on the bench or the active practice of law shall promptly file notice of such change of status with the clerk of the supreme court and pay the annual registration fee."

Dated: March 2, 1982.

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By



Robert F. Henson
Chairman