

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

C9-81-1206

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

**ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board filed a petition with this court on January 13, 1992 proposing amendments to the Rules Relating to Registration of Attorneys that would increase the attorney registration fee, and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court held a hearing on these amendments on March 20, 1992 and is fully advised in the premises,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The attached amendments (Attachments A and B) to the Rules Relating to the Registration of Attorneys be, and the same hereby are, prescribed and promulgated governing the registration of attorneys in the State of Minnesota.
2. The attached amendments (Attachment A) are effective with attorney registration payments due between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1993.
3. The attached amendments (Attachment B) are effective with attorney registration payments due on and after July 1, 1993.
4. In all other respects the petition is denied.

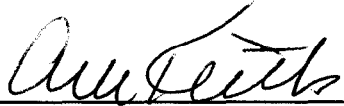
DATED: April 15, 1992

BY THE COURT:

OFFICE OF  
APPELLATE COURTS

APR 15 1992

**FILED**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
A.M. Keith  
Chief Justice

## ATTACHMENT A

### AMENDMENTS TO RULES FOR REGISTRATION OF ATTORNEYS

Effective with attorney registration  
payments on and after July 1, 1992

#### 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 exception 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 appellate courts a registration fee in the sum of ~~One Hundred Twenty-two Dollars (\$122.00)~~ One Hundred Thirty-two Dollars (\$132.00) or in such lesser sum as the court may annually hereafter determine.

Such fee, or 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 appellate courts.

All sums so received shall be allocated as follows:

\$15.00 to the State Board of Law Examiners

\$7.00 to the State Board of Continuing Legal Education

~~\$80.00~~ \$90.00 to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board

\$20.00 to the Minnesota Client Security Fund.

The following attorneys and judges shall pay annual registration fee of ~~Thirty-nine Dollars (\$39.00)~~ Forty-two Dollars (\$42.00):

(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 ~~Thirty-nine Dollars (\$39.00)~~ Forty-two Dollars (\$42.00) so received shall be allocated as follows:

\$15.00 to the State Board of Law Examiners

\$7.00 to the State Board of Continuing Legal Education

~~(17.00)~~ \$20.00 to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board.

Any attorney admitted to practice law on or after July 1, 1988, shall pay to the Minnesota Client Security Fund \$50 in the fiscal year of admission and an additional \$50 in the fiscal year the attorney becomes subject to the first paragraph of this rule. This second \$50 shall be instead of any annual assessment in favor of the Client Security Fund in that year.

Any attorney who is retired from any gainful employment or permanently disabled, or who files annually with the clerk of the appellate courts an affidavit that he or she 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 appellate courts 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 appellate courts that he or she 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 appellate courts and pay the annual registration fee.

## ATTACHMENT B

### AMENDMENTS TO RULES FOR REGISTRATION OF ATTORNEYS

Effective with attorney registration  
payments on and after July 1, 1993

#### 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 exception 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 appellate courts a registration fee in the sum of ~~One Hundred Thirty-two Dollars (\$132.00)~~ One Hundred Forty-two Dollars (\$142.00) or in such lesser sum as the court may annually hereafter determine.

Such fee, or 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 appellate courts.

All sums so received shall be allocated as follows:

\$15.00 to the State Board of Law Examiners

\$7.00 to the State Board of Continuing Legal Education

~~\$90.00~~ \$100.00 to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board

\$20.00 to the Minnesota Client Security Fund.

The following attorneys and judges shall pay annual registration fee of Forty-two Dollars (\$42.00):

(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 Forty-two Dollars (\$42.00) so received shall be allocated as follows:

\$15.00 to the State Board of Law Examiners

\$7.00 to the State Board of Continuing Legal Education

\$20.00 to the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board.

Any attorney admitted to practice law on or after July 1, 1988, shall pay to the Minnesota Client Security Fund \$50 in the fiscal year of admission and an additional \$50 in the fiscal year the attorney becomes subject to the first paragraph of this rule. This second \$50 shall be instead of any annual assessment in favor of the Client Security Fund in that year.

Any attorney who is retired from any gainful employment or permanently disabled, or who files annually with the clerk of the appellate courts an affidavit that

he or she 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 appellate courts 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 appellate courts that he or she 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 appellate courts and pay the annual registration fee.