

STATE OF MINNESOTA
IN SUPREME COURT

No. 46994

Amendments to Minnesota Rules on
Lawyers Professional Responsibility

O R D E R

WHEREAS, the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board has recommended that this Court adopt the hereinafter described amendments to the Minnesota Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility, and

WHEREAS, this Court has carefully considered the amendments and is fully advised in the premises,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

Effective immediately, Rule 4(a) and (d) of the Minnesota Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility is amended to provide:

RULE 4. LAWYERS PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY BOARD

(a) Composition. The Board shall consist of:

(1) A Chairman appointed by this Court for such time as it designates and serving at the pleasure of this Court but not more than six years as Chairman; and

(2) Effective not later than February 1, 1981, twelve lawyers having their principal office in this state, six of whom the Minnesota State Bar Association may nominate, and eight nonlawyers resident in this State, all appointed by this Court to three-year terms except that shorter terms shall be used where necessary to assure that as nearly as may be one-third of all terms expire each February 1. No person may serve more than two three-year terms, in addition to any additional shorter term for which he was originally appointed and any period served as Chairman.

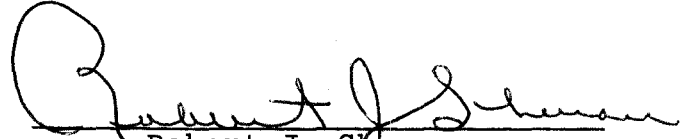
(3) Unless any lawyer members nominated by the Minnesota State Bar Association shall leave the Board for any reason or decline re-appointment to the Board, the number of lawyer members nominated by the Minnesota State Bar Association shall be as follows within the periods indicated:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Total Number</u>	<u>Association Nominees</u>
From the date hereof through January 31, 1979	15	9
February 1, 1979 through January 31, 1981	14	8

(d) Panels. The Chairman shall divide the Board into four Panels, each consisting of not less than three lawyer members and two nonlawyer members. The Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, if any, is a Panel member at any Panel proceeding he attends. Four Panel members, at least one of whom is a nonlawyer, shall constitute a quorum. If a quorum cannot be obtained the Chairman or, if he is unavailable, the Vice-Chairman may assign other Board members for the particular matter. A Panel may refer any matter before it to the full Board.

BY THE COURT:

Dated: May 11, 1978


Robert J. Sheran
Chief Justice