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In Re Petition for Order of this Court Directing the State Board of Law Examiners to Open Administrative Portions of Board Meetings and Make Administrative Portions of Board Minutes, Past and Future, Available to the Public.

ORDER

WHEREAS, Michael Ravnitzky has petitioned this court for an order directing the Minnesota Board of Law Examiners to open administrative portions of its board meetings to the public and to make available portions of past and future board meeting minutes; and

WHEREAS, the board has responded urging this court to address the questions in the context of its anticipated petition to amend the Rules of the Supreme Court for Admission to the Bar; and

WHEREAS, this court has determined that it would be appropriate to consider the two petitions at the same time,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Board of Law Examiners is directed to file its petition to amend the rules applicable to this matter, together with proposed amendments not later than February 1, 1998; immediately thereafter, this court will schedule its public hearing not less than 60 days hence to consider that petition in conjunction with the petition filed herein. The Clerk of the Appellate Courts shall publish the proposed amendments and order for hearing immediately after the filing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the petitioner's application to proceed in forma

pauperis is granted.

Dated: De 23,1997

BY THE COURT:

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Chief Justice