OFFICE OF APPELLATE COURTS

## STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

CX-89-1863

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ORDER REGARDING ACCESS TO RECORDS OF SEALED
ARBITRATION AWARDS FOR THE ADR CASE FILE REVIEW

**ORDER** 

WHEREAS, the Alternative Dispute Resolution Review Board requires access to records of arbitration proceedings to conduct case file reviews to determine the level of ADR activity in civil cases; and

WHEREAS, arbitration awards are sealed and inaccessible pursuant to Rule 114.09(e)(3) of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice for the District Courts; and

WHEREAS, the integrity and success of the evaluation process requires knowledge of the filing dates of arbitration awards.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Sealed arbitration awards shall be accessible to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Review Board upon request only for the purpose of gathering case file information.

DATED: August 12, 1997

BY THE COURT:

A. M. Kelin Chief Justice