

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

CA-81-1206

**ORDER REGARDING PETITION TO AMEND THE RULES OF
THE SUPREME COURT FOR REGISTRATION OF ATTORNEYS**

The Minnesota State Bar Association filed a petition with this court proposing amendments to the Rules of the Supreme Court for Registration of Attorneys which would require reporting of *pro bono* legal services, and

The Minnesota Supreme Court held a hearing on these proposed amendments on December 15, 1999, and

This court denied a similar petition of the Minnesota State Bar Association in an order filed on May 22, 1991, and

This court reaffirmed its commitment to *pro bono* activities when it amended the Rules of Professional Conduct in 1995, which states in Rule 6.1 that a lawyer should aspire to render at least 50 hours of *pro bono* legal services per year, and

This court has concluded that mandatory *pro bono* reporting would not significantly advance or assist in the obligation of lawyers to provide *pro bono* services,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petition is denied.

Dated: April 17, 2000

BY THE COURT:

OFFICE OF
APPELLATE COURTS

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Kathleen A. Blatz
Chief Justice