STATE OF WISCONSIN

IN SUPREME COURT

In the Matter of Amendment of Supreme Court Rules 20:1.15 and 20:1.0, Relating to Electronic Banking

PETITION

The Office of Lawyer Regulation, by Director Timothy C. Samuelson and Trust Account Program Administrator Travis J. Stieren, respectfully petitions this Court to amend Supreme Court Rule 20:1.15 (Safekeeping property; trust accounts and fiduciary accounts) and Supreme Court Rule 20:1.0 (Terminology) to permit electronic transactions in lawyer trust accounts. As discussed in the supporting memorandum, Wisconsin is the only state that prohibits electronic transactions in lawyer trust accounts. The proposed revisions would permit electronic transactions while maintaining sufficient procedural safeguards to protect the public.

Petitioner respectfully requests this Court amend SCR 20:1.15, as shown in Appendices A and B, and SCR 20:1.0, as shown in Appendices C and D, and discussed in the supporting memorandum.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of July, 2022.

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