

SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

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No. 13-11D

In the matter of the amendment to the
Comment to Supreme Court Rule 10.03(4) (b)2
Relating to pro hac vice applications

FILED**MAY 4, 2021**

Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Supreme Court
Madison, WI

This matter comes before the Wisconsin Supreme Court upon the court's own motion, and pertains to the reallocation of fees received for applications for admission pro hac vice. Currently, an applicant for admission pro hac vice in Wisconsin is required to pay a \$250 fee established in Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 10.03(4) (b)2. The fee is paid to the State Bar of Wisconsin ("State Bar"). The State Bar administers and allocates the fees according to the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding between the State Bar of Wisconsin and the recipients of those funds, as approved by the court. Currently, the fees are distributed as follows: \$50 to the Office of Lawyer Regulation, \$100 to Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., and \$100 to the Wisconsin Access to Justice Commission. See S. Ct. Order 13-11B, 2019 WI 52 (issued May 16, 2019, eff. July 1, 2019); S. Ct. Order 13-11C (issued July 1, 2019).

The court has decided to reallocate the fees to reflect the increased administrative and programming expenses incurred by the State Bar since the State Bar assumed the administration of pro hac vice fees in 2019. The \$50 currently distributed to the Office of Lawyer Regulation will be divided so that the State Bar and the Office of Lawyer Regulation each receive \$25 for their respective administrative and programming costs. The Memorandum of Understanding has been amended, accordingly, and is hereby approved by the court. We also amend the Wisconsin Comment to SCR 10.03(4)(b), the "pro hac vice" rule, to direct applicants for admission pro hac vice to pay the \$250 fee established in Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 10.03(4)(b)2 to the State Bar of Wisconsin, which shall allocate the fees as set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding.

IT IS ORDERED that, effective June 1, 2021, the Wisconsin Comment to SCR 10.03(4) is amended to read:

WISCONSIN COMMENT

The Wisconsin Supreme Court has directed that the \$250 fee established in SCR 10.03(4)(b)2 is to be paid ~~as follows: \$50 to the Office of Lawyer Regulation and \$200~~ to the State Bar of Wisconsin, which shall administer and allocate the fee according to the terms of this court's rule and a Memorandum of Understanding between the State Bar of Wisconsin and the recipients of the funds. See S. Ct. Order 13-11, 2014 WI 42 (issued Jun. 20, 2014, eff. Jul. 1, 2014) (Abrahamson, C.J. and Bradley, J., dissenting); See S. Ct. Order 13-11A, 2015 WI 23 (March 6, 2015); S. Ct. Order 13-11B, 2019 WI 52 (issued May 16, 2019, eff. Jul 1, 2019). S. Ct. Order 13-11B, 2019 WI 52 (issued May 16, 2019, eff. July 1, 2019); S. Ct. Order 13-11D, 2021 WI 40 (issued May 4, 2021, eff. June 1, 2021).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Memorandum of Understanding required by S. Ct. Order 13-11B, 2019 WI 52 (issued May 16, 2019, eff. July 1, 2019), as amended as of the date of this order, consistent with the terms of this order, is approved by the court;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of the above amendments be given by a single publication of a copy of this order in the official publications designated in SCR 80.01, including the official publishers' online databases, and on the Wisconsin court system's web site. The State Bar of Wisconsin shall provide notice of this order.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 4th day of May, 2021.

BY THE COURT:

Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Supreme Court

