## TN THE SUPREME COURT

OF THE

## STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE	AMENDMENT OF	)	RULE 01-4
SDCL 15-6-11(a)		)	
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A hearing was held on March 20, 2001, at Vermillion, South Dakota, relating to the amendment of SDCL 15-6-11(a), and the Court considered the proposed amendment, and oral presentation relating thereto, and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED that SDCL 15-6-11(a) is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

## 15-6-11(a) Signature of attorney or party.

Every pleading, motion and other paper of a party represented by an attorney shall be signed by at least one attorney of record in his individual name, whose address shall be stated. A party who is not represented by an attorney shall sign his pleading, motion or other paper and state his address. Unless otherwise specifically provided by rule or statute, pleadings need not be verified or accompanied by affidavit. The signature of an attorney or party constitutes a certificate by him that he has read the pleading, motion and exhibits or attachments thereto, or other paper; that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry it is well grounded in fact and is warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification or reversal of existing law, and that it is not interposed for any improper purpose, such as to harass, embarrass another party or person, or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation. If a pleading, motion or other paper is not signed, it shall be stricken unless it is signed promptly after the omission is called to the attention of the pleader or movant.

It IS FURTHERED ORDERED that this rule shall become effective July 1, 2001

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota this 10th day of April, 2001.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Supreme Court (SEAL) BY THE COURT:

Robert A. Miller, Chief Justice

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