IN THE SUPREME COURT
OF THE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE AMENDMENT)	RULE 17-08
TO THE APPENDIX OF SDCL CHAPTER)	
16-1A RELATING TO JUDICIAL)	
NOMINATIONS)	

A hearing was held on May 30, 2017, at Pierre, South Dakota, relating to the amendment to the Appendix of SDCL Chapter 16-1A and the Court having considered the proposed amendment and oral presentation thereto and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is

ORDERED that THE APPENDIX OF SDCL Chapter 16-1A Relating to Judicial Nominations be and it is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Appendix of SDCL CHAPTER 16-1A:

II. JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

1. Initial Procedure; Investigative Sources; Notice.

- (a) Whenever the commission receives a notice of vacancy of a judicial office within the jurisdiction of the commission, the commission shall actively seek out and encourage applications. The commission shall require completion of a questionnaire which shall include questions relating to the background and qualifications of the applicant, a waiver of confidentiality of all materials necessary to adequately investigate each applicant, including, but not limited to, disciplinary records of the South Dakota State Bar Disciplinary Board, any other bar association disciplinary records, and records maintained by any law enforcement agency.
- (b) The commission may also require financial disclosure from the applicant to include, but not limited to, South Dakota sales tax returns and financial statements.

in the State Bar Newsletter circulated throughout the State of South Dakota or by first class mail to all members of the State Bar of South Dakota by posting notice at the Unified Judicial System's website at http://www.ujs.sd.gov/ or the State Bar of South Dakota's website at http://www.sdbar.org/. Electronic mail notification shall also be provided to members of the State Bar of South Dakota. Any member of the State Bar of South Dakota may request notice of a judicial vacancy through first class mail by contacting the Secretary of the commission. The advertisement shall afford reasonable notice to prospective applicants of the vacancy. The commission shall acknowledge receipt of each application submitted for the judicial vacancy.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this rule shall become effective September 1, 2017.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5th day of July, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

David Gilbertson,

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Supreme Court (SEAL)

Chief Justice

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