

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
In the Supreme Court  
I, Shirley A. Jameson-Fergel, Clerk of the Supreme Court of  
South Dakota, hereby certify that the within instrument is a true  
and correct copy of the original thereof as the same appears  
on record in my office. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand and affixed the seal of said court at Pierre, S.D. this  
1 day of SEPT, 2023.

Shirley A. Jameson-Fergel  
Clerk of the Supreme Court  
Deputy

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IN THE MATTER OF THE AMENDMENT )  
OF SDCL 16-16-13 )

RULE 23-17

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A hearing was held on August 31, 2023, at Pierre,  
South Dakota, relating to the amendment of SDCL 16-16-13 and  
the Court having considered the proposed amendment and being  
fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is

ORDERED that SDCL 16-16-13 be and it is hereby  
amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**SDCL 16-16-13. Fees payable with application for  
admission--Disposition of fees.**

An applicant for an admission on examination shall pay a fee of  
four hundred fifty dollars. An applicant for admission without  
examination shall pay a fee of six hundred fifty dollars. An  
applicant shall also pay the National Conference of Bar Examiners  
the applicable fee for preparation of an initial or supplemental  
character report. If an applicant fails to appear for the  
examination, the fee paid shall only be applied to one of the  
next two scheduled combined Multistate Essay Examination  
Examinations, which ~~includes~~ include an Indian Law question and  
Multistate Performance Test, and/or ~~to the~~ Multistate Bar  
Examination Examinations. The applicant shall inform the  
Secretary in writing which of the next two scheduled examinations  
to which the fee should be applied. The fees thus paid to the  
Secretary shall be retained in a special fund and shall be paid  
out by the state court administrator when authorized by the  
Secretary for the compensation and necessary expenses of the  
Board of Bar Examiners.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the rule shall become  
effective immediately.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 1st day of  
September, 2023.

BY THE COURT:

Steven R. Jensen  
Steven R. Jensen, Chief Justice

ATTEST:

Shirley A. Jameson-Fergel  
Clerk of the Supreme Court  
(SEAL)