IN THE SUPREME COURT

OF THE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE AMENDMENT) SDCL 15-6-11(b)

RULE 06-06

A hearing was held on February 16, 2006, at Pierre, South Dakota, relating to the amendment of SDCL 15-6-11(b), and the Court having considered the proposed amendment, the correspondence and oral presentations relating thereto and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is

ORDERED that SDCL 15-6-11(b) be and it is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

SDCL 15-6-11(b). Representations to court.

By presenting to the court (whether by signing, filing, submitting, or later advocating) a pleading, written motion, or other paper, an attorney or unrepresented party is certifying that to the best of the person's knowledge, information, and belief, formed after an inquiry reasonable under the circumstances.--

(1) it is not being presented for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation;

> the claims, defenses, and other legal contentions therein are warranted by existing law or by a nonfrivolous argument for the extension, modification, or reversal of existing law or the establishment of new law;

the allegations and other factual contentions have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, are likely to have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery; and

the denials of factual contentions are warranted on the evidence or, if specifically so identified, are reasonably based on a lack of information or belief. Rule 06-06

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this rule shall become effective July 1, 2006

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 17th day of March, 2006

BY THE COURT:

David Gilbertson, Chief Justice

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Supreme Court

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