

IN THE SUPREME COURT  
OF THE  
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF A  
NEW RULE TO DESIGNATED AS RULE V  
OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE  
JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION  
(APPENDIX TO SDCL 16-1A)

RULE 98-3

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A hearing having been held on February 20, 1998, at Pierre, South Dakota, relating to the adoption of a new rule to be designated as Rule 31 of the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Qualifications Commission (Appendix to SDCL 16-1A), and the Court having considered the proposed new rule, the correspondence and oral presentations relating thereto, if any, and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is

ORDERED that the following rule, to be added to the Appendix to SDCL 16-1A, be and it is hereby adopted to read in its entirety as follows:

V. IMMUNITY

1. Immunity.

The members of the Special Committee and Commission, their counsel, and all staff persons assisting them shall have absolute immunity from civil liability for all acts undertaken in the course of their official duties pursuant to these rules. Complaints submitted to the Commission or the Special Committee, shall be absolutely privileged, except as specifically authorized by the Commission's rules. No civil action shall be instituted predicated on a violation of the Commission rules.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this rule shall become effective April 1, 1998.

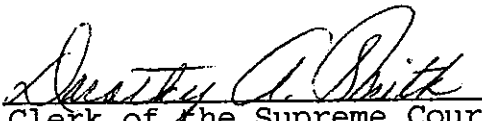
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DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5th day of March,  
1998.

BY THE COURT:

  
Robert A. Miller, Chief Justice

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of the Supreme Court  
(SEAL)

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