IN THE SUPREME COURT

OF THE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE AMENDMENT OF SDCL)
16-16-7.8

RULE 97-48

A hearing having been held on September 10, 1997, at Pierre, South Dakota, relating to the amendment of SDCL 16-16-7.8, and the Court having considered the proposed amendment, the correspondence and oral presentations relating thereto, if any, and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is

ORDERED that SDCL 16-16-7.8 be and it is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

16-16-7.8. Submission to disciplinary board jurisdiction -- Revocation of admission or referral to board for misconduct -- Venue. Under § 16-16-7.6, the filing of an application requesting admission by the state court administrator or by a law school full-time administrator or faculty member shall constitute his or her submission to the jurisdiction of the disciplinary board of the state bar.

If, after admission to practice in this state, the applicant engages in professional misconduct as that term is defined by the rules governing the state bar of South Dakota, the Supreme Court may revoke his or her admission to practice. In addition, the matter may be referred to the disciplinary board of the state bar or other proper authority as is deemed necessary and desirable. Clay County shall be considered the county of the full-time administrator or faculty member's residence for the purpose of determining venue in any disciplinary action taken against him or her. Hughes County shall be considered the county of the state court administrator's residence for the purpose of determining venue in any disciplinary action taken against him or her.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this rule shall become effective October 15, 1997.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 15th day of September, 1997.

BY THE COURT:

Robert A. Miller, Chief Justice

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