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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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

RULE 01-5

A hearing was held on March 20, 2001, at Vermillion, South Dakota, relating to the amendment of SDCL 15-6-11(a), and the Court considered the proposed amendment, and oral presentation relating thereto, and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore, it is hereby

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

15-6-11(b) Improper signing - Sanctions.

If a pleading, motion, exhibits or attachments thereto, or other paper is signed or filed in violation of this rule, the court, upon motion or upon its own initiative, shall impose upon the person who signed or filed it, a represented party, or both, an appropriate sanction, which may include an order to pay to the other party or parties the amount of the reasonable expenses incurred because of the filing of the pleading, motion or other paper, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

COURT:

It IS FURTHERED ORDERED that this rule shall become effective July 1, 2001

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota this 10th day April, 2001.

ATTEST:

Robert A. Miller, Chief Justice

the Supreme Court

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