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IN THE SUPREME COURT

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE AMENDMENT OF SDCL 16-16-2

RULE 96-2

Pursuant to a hearing held on February 15, 1996, at Pierre, South Dakota, relating to the amendment of SDCL 16-16-2, 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 16-16-2 be and it is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

16-16-2. Qualifications of applicants to practice law. An applicant for admission to practice as an attorney or counselor at law in this state must be at least eighteen years of age, be a person of good moral character, and satisfy the requirements of the applicable rules.

Prior to admittance an applicant must be a resident of this state; or maintain an office in this state; or designate the Clerk of the Supreme Court as his or her agent for the service of process for all purposes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this rule shall become effective July 1, 1996.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 27th day of February, 1996.

BY THE COURT:

ATTEST:

Robert A. Miller, Chief Justice

clerk of the Supreme Court

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