

Section 2. That a new rule be adopted to read as follows:

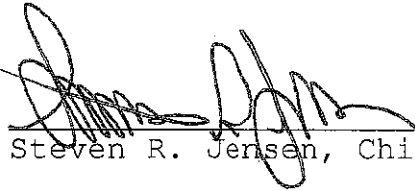
The Commission on Access to the Courts shall work collaboratively across the justice system to advance efforts to promote equal access to the court and inspire a high level of trust and confidence in the South Dakota court system. This may include:

- (1) Recommending improvements in court processes, procedures and policies;
- (2) Addressing access to counsel and collaborative efforts with entities that provide legal representation pro bono or at reduced cost for low-income or disadvantaged individuals;
- (3) Developing models to assist self-represented litigants and addressing barriers to access to the court system;
- (4) Increasing the availability of legal aid services statewide;
- (5) Expanding the availability of effective use of technology; and
- (6) Providing outreach efforts and strategic planning to ensure timely and effective access to the judicial system.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this rule shall become effective immediately.


DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of February, 2024.

BY THE COURT:



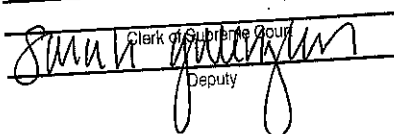
 Steven R. Jensen, Chief Justice

ATTEST:



 Clerk of the Supreme Court
 (SEAL)

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
 in the Supreme Court
 I, Shirley A. Jameson-Fergel, Clerk of the Supreme Court of South Dakota, hereby certify that the within instrument is a true and correct copy of the original thereof as the same appears on record in my office. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at Pierre, S.D. this
 20 day of Feb, 2024.



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