

**SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA**

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**ORDER**

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Acting in accordance with Article V, Sections 1 and 5 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and the inherent power of this Court, and considering the need to amend Rule XV of the Rules of this Court,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XV be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

**RULE XV. CLERKS AND OTHER PERSONNEL**

The clerk of this court and the other personnel employed or appointed by the court shall not engage in the practice of law except that they may act *pro se* and may perform routine legal work incident to the management of their personal affairs or the personal affairs of their immediate family (as defined in the Louisiana Code of Judicial Conduct), so long as the *pro se* or immediate family legal work does not present an appearance of impropriety, does not take place while on duty or in their workplace, and does not interfere with their primary responsibility to the office in which they serve, and further provided that:

- (1) In the case of *pro se* legal work, such work is done without compensation (other than such compensation as may be allowed by statute or court rule); and

- (2) In the case of immediate family legal work, such work is done without compensation (other than such compensation that may be allowed by statute or court rule) and does not involve the entry of an appearance in any state court in a contested matter.

The clerk of court and the other personnel employed or appointed by the court shall not engage in any business, calling, or employment which interferes with the proper discharge of their duties.

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This rule shall become effective upon signing and shall remain in full force and effect thereafter until amended or changed through future Orders of this Court.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

FOR THE COURT:

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Pascal F. Calogero, Jr., Chief Justice