

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

ORDER

Acting in accordance with Article V, Sections 1 and 5 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and the inherent power of this Court, and considering the need to temporarily amend Rule XIX, §8 of the Rules of this Court,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

Part I. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XIX, §8A, third sentence, be and is hereby temporarily amended to read as follows:

Section 8. Periodic Assessment of Lawyers

A. Requirement.

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The fee shall be paid on or before August 1st of the fiscal year for which the fee is being paid.

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Part II. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XIX, §8C, first paragraph, first sentence, be and is hereby temporarily amended to read as follows:

C. Registration Statement. Each lawyer required by this rule to pay an annual fee shall, on or before August 1st of each year, file with the Louisiana State Bar Association a registration statement on a form approved by the court.

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Part III. Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XIX, §8D, be and is hereby temporarily amended to read as follows:

D. Sanctions for Noncompliance. Any lawyer who fails to pay timely by August 1st the disciplinary enforcement and administration fee as required by subsection A of these rules and/or fails to file or supplement a registration statement or trust account information as required by subsection C of these rules shall be mailed, by first class mail, to the attorney's last-known preferred mailing address, a 30-day notice of delinquency and imminent certification of ineligibility to practice law. Any attorney who fails to comply with this notice shall be assessed a \$25.00 delinquency penalty. Any attorney who fails to comply with this notice will be summarily certified ineligible to practice law.

These temporary rule changes shall become effective upon signing, and shall remain in full force and effect only through December 31, 2007, at which time these temporary rule changes shall terminate and have no further force or effect.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this _____ day of March, 2007.

FOR THE COURT:

Pascal F. Calogero, Jr., Chief Justice