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IN THE SUPREME COURT

In the Matter of
Modification of SCR Ch 10.05 (1),
Regulation of the State Bar,

PETITION
23-__

The State Bar (also referred to herein as the "Association"), through its Board of Governors (the "BOG"), petitions the Supreme Court to adopt amendments to the Supreme Court Rules ("SCR") Chapter 10 concerning the addition of a voting representative of the Section Leaders Council to the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Wisconsin. At its June 9, 2021 meeting, the BOG unanimously approved the proposed amendments together with companion changes to the Association's bylaws.

This memorandum supporting the petition provides the background and purpose of the proposed amendments for the Court's consideration.

I. The Proposed Rule (SCR) Amendment and Associated Bylaws

1. Composition of the Board of Governors/Section Leaders Council

The proposed amendment adds a representative of the section leaders council to the Board of Governors (BOG), specifically to SCR 10.05 (1). In 2013, the State Bar established a task force to strengthen the relationship between the BOG and its various practice sections. For more than 10 years, Association sections have been addressing the concerns of attorneys in specific practice areas (such as bankruptcy, family law or litigation). The associated bylaw amendment formally establishes the Section Leaders Council and adds clarifying language for the establishment and merger of State Bar practice sections.

The petition also makes minor amendments related to style using guidance from the Legislative Reference Bureau.

II. Authority

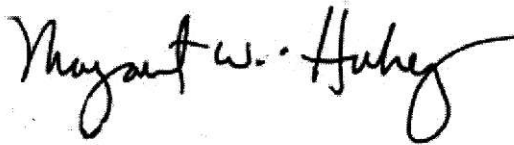
This petition is made pursuant to the court's rulemaking authority under SCR 10.13 Amendment. The petition was approved unanimously by the State Bar BOG at its meeting on June 21, 2021. At the same time, the BOG also approved amendments to the State Bar's bylaws, consistent with the provisions of the petition and conditioned on approval of this petition to the court.

III. Attachment

Attached to this petition is a certificate of bylaw amendment to Article VI, Section Organization and Activities.

Dated this 27th day of June, 2023.

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