SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

NOTICE

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In the matter of the amendment of Supreme Court Rule 12.07(2), Clients' Security Fund, Annual Assessments

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Cornelia G. Clark Clerk of Supreme Court Madison, WI

On April 18, 2002, the court held a public hearing on the petition filed on November 30, 2001, by the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Wisconsin seeking to amend Supreme Court Rule 12.07 (2). The Board of Governors requested the court increase the maximum annual assessment from \$15 to \$25.

IT IS ORDERED that, effective July 1, 2002, Supreme Court Rule 12.07 (2) is amended as follows:

SECTION 1. 12.07 (2) of the Supreme Court Rules is amended to read:

12.07 **(2)** Annual Assessments. Commencing with the state bar's July 1, 1982 fiscal year, every attorney shall pay to the fund such annual assessment as is necessary to maintain a balance in the fund of \$250,000, but in no event shall any annual assessment exceed $\frac{$15}{$25}$. An attorney whose annual state bar membership dues are waived for hardship shall be excused from

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the payment of the annual assessment for that year. An attorney shall be excused from the payment of the annual assessment for the fiscal year during which he or she is admitted to practice law in Wisconsin.

IT IS ORDERED that notice of this amendment of Supreme Court Rule 12.07 (2) be given by a single publication of a copy of this order in the official state newspaper and in an official publication of the State Bar of Wisconsin.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 25th day of April, 2002.

BY THE COURT:

Cornelia G. Clark Clerk of Supreme Court