

UNIFIED JUDICIAL SYSTEM

Policy 221

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SURROGATE JUDGE PROFESSIONAL DUES PAID

The judiciary assumes the responsibility of paying annual North Dakota bar dues for surrogate judges.

The judiciary requires surrogate judges to maintain professional credentials as a member of the State Bar Association of North Dakota. In order for a surrogate judge to fulfill the required 45 hours of Continuing Judicial Education (CJE) within a 3-year reporting period, the judiciary will pay the fees and associated travel costs for a surrogate judge to attend in-state CJE programs. Annual attendance at the judicial conferences and the biennial judicial institute is expected.

No out-of-state CJE will be approved unless the surrogate judge has been requested by the supreme court to attend a CJE. The judiciary will then pay the registration fee and associated travel costs for a surrogate judge to attend a conference, seminar or similar event as a representative of the North Dakota judiciary or as part of a state team.

No additional educational fees, costs or expenses will be paid without the prior approval of the Chief Justice. Policy 201 is not applicable to surrogate judges.

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