

**SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY**

It is ORDERED that the attached amendments to Rule 1:28B-1 of the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey are adopted effective immediately.

For the Court,  
/s/ Stuart Rabner  
Chief Justice

Dated: November 27, 2007

1:28B-1. Board of Trustees; Purpose; Administration; Annual Assessment

(a) ... no change

(b) ... no change

(c) ... no change

(d) ... no change

(e) Annual Assessment. Every attorney admitted to practice law in the State of New Jersey, including those holding a plenary license and those admitted pro hac vice in accordance with Rule 1:21-2, shall be assessed and shall pay annually to the Lawyers Assistance Program a fee in a sum that shall be determined each year by the Supreme Court. All fees so paid shall be used for the administration of the Lawyers Assistance Program. This assessment shall be collected administratively in the same manner as and subject to the same exemptions as provided under Rule 1:28-2, except that no such fee shall be assessed to attorneys during the first calendar year of their admission [, a partial fee (in an amount determined by the Supreme Court) shall be assessed during calendar year two, and a full fee shall be assessed from calendar years three through forty-nine]. The fee shall be assessed to all attorneys in their second through forty-ninth calendar year of admission. The names of any and all attorneys failing to comply with the provisions of this rule shall be reported to the Supreme Court for inclusion on its Ineligible to Practice Law List. Any attorney who fails to pay the annual assessment for seven consecutive years shall be subject to the license revocation procedures contained in Rule 1:28-2(c).

Note: Adopted July 15, 1999, to be effective September 1, 1999; caption amended and new paragraph (e) added July 12, 2002 to be effective September 3, 2002; paragraph (b) amended February 4, 2003 to be effective immediately; paragraph (e) amended July 28, 2004 to be effective September 1, 2004; paragraph (a) amended December 5, 2006 to be effective immediately; paragraph (e) amended November 27, 2007 to be effective immediately.