

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA**

**IN THE MATTER OF
ATTORNEY FEES**

**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER**

No. 18-AO-0008-P

With respect to the admission fees for attorneys and the renewal fee for attorneys who are admitted to practice in a district court, the Judicial Conference of the United States provides the following guidance:

- (a) the original attorney admission fee prescribed in the District Court Miscellaneous Fee Schedule, *see generally* 28 U.S.C. § 1914, does not apply to pro hac vice requests in a district or periodic bar membership renewals in a district;
- (b) a district court may charge a local fee above the original attorney admission fee prescribed in the District Court Miscellaneous Fee Schedule;
- (c) a district court may periodically charge a local fee for an attorney who is a member of the bar in the district;
- (d) a district court may charge a local fee for an attorney who is admitted pro hac vice in the district; and
- (e) local fees collected by a district court may be deposited into a district court's

Library Fund for the benefit of the bench and bar in the administration of justice.

See Guide to Judiciary Policy, Vol. 4, Ch. 6, § 670.

Given its authority to charge local fees, the court directs the clerk of court to collect:

- (a) \$181.00 for original admission of an attorney to practice in this district (original admission fee) (\$181.00 is to be deposited into the United States Treasury), *see* Local Rule 83(c)¹;
- (b) \$25.00 for annual renewal of an attorney's membership in the court's bar (local annual renewal fee) (\$25.00 is to be paid by March 1 of each year, and it is to be deposited into the court's Library Fund), *see* Local Rule 83(c)(4)²;
- (c) \$100.00 for pro hac vice admission of an attorney who is participating in a civil case in this district (local pro hac vice fee) (\$100.00 is to be deposited into the court's Library Fund), *see* Local Rule 83(d).

The local annual renewal fee as set forth above is effective January 1, 2019. The local pro hac vice fee as set forth above is effective as of the date of this public administrative order.

¹ In the year that an attorney becomes a member of the bar in this district, such attorney is only required to pay the original admission fee, that is, no local annual renewal fee as set forth in (b) will be collected by the clerk of court in such year.

² Prior to 2019, the Northern District of Iowa and the Southern District of Iowa collected a biannual fee of \$50.00. Pursuant to Local Rule 83(c)(4), an attorney who is a member of the bar in this district is required to pay a local annual renewal fee of \$25.00 to remain in good standing, and, if such attorney is also a member of the bar in the Southern District of Iowa, he or she is required to pay a separate local annual renewal fee of \$25.00 to remain in good standing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 2nd day of October, 2018.



**LEONARD T. STRAND
CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA**