

**SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN**

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**In the Matter of Amendment of SCR 32.08(2),  
Reserve Judge per Diem for Judicial Education**

**OCT 23, 2024**

Samuel A. Christensen  
Clerk of Supreme Court  
Madison, WI

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On May 15, 2024, the Association of Reserve Judges (Association), by its Executive Committee, filed a rule petition asking the court to amend Supreme Court Rule 32.08(2) to provide that reserve judges are entitled to a per diem payment (as well as reimbursement of expenses) for attending up to four credits per calendar year of required judicial education seminars.

A letter soliciting public comments was sent to interested persons on June 20, 2024. The court did not receive any comments regarding the petition.

A public hearing notice was issued on August 16, 2024, and the court held a public hearing on September 24, 2024. Reserve Judge Sarah O'Brien presented the petition to the court on behalf of the Association. The following individuals spoke in favor of the petition: Reserve Judge Dennis Cimpl and Judge Lisa K. Stark. At the ensuing open administrative conference, the court voted 7-0 to grant the petition and revise the rules as requested, but with additional proposed

modifications. On September 27, 2024, the court sent a letter to the Association setting forth the additional proposed modifications discussed by the court during its open administrative conference and asked whether the Association opposed the additional changes. On October 7, 2024, the Association responded and indicated that it did not oppose the additional proposed modifications to the rule petition.

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that, effective January 1, 2025:

**SECTION 1:** Supreme Court Rule 32.08 (2) is amended to read:

(2) A reserve judge is entitled to the payment of a per diem and reimbursement of expenses incurred in attending judicial education programs as required or permitted by sub. (1) or approved under sub. (3), as well as in attending including the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Judicial Conference during the calendar year of actual service, whether or not judicial education credits for attending the annual meeting are claimed up to the number of days necessary to earn the required 4 judicial education credits per calendar year. If the 4 credits are obtained by attending approved judicial education programs other than the Wisconsin Judicial Conference, the reserve judge is also entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred in attending the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Judicial Conference, but not to a per diem. A reserve judge is entitled to the payment of a per diem and reimbursement of expenses incurred in attending judicial education programs as set forth in this paragraph only if the reserve judge has either: (a) served an assignment or specified duties under Wis. Stat. § 753.075(1)(a) or (b) within the twelve months immediately preceding the claimed per diem or reimbursement request; or (b) signed a

certification indicating that the reserve judge is willing and able to serve an assignment or specified duties under Wis. Stat. § 753.075(1) (a) or (b) within the next twelve months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of the above amendments be given by a single publication of a copy of this order in the official publications designated in SCR 80.01, including the official publishers' online databases, and on the Wisconsin court system's web site. The State Bar of Wisconsin shall provide notice of this order.

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