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December 23, 1986

Secretary of State 180 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

Attn: Grace Haukoos

Dear Ms. Haukoos:

Enclosed for filing, please find an Amended Unification Plan adopted by the judges of this district. This amended unification plan shall be effective on January 1, 1988.

Season's Greetings!

Yours truly,

Stuart A. Beck

District Administrator

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AMENDED UNIFICATION PLAN FOR SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

The trial court judges of the Sixth Judicial District hereby amend the Sixth Judicial District Court Unification Plan, currently on file with the Secretary of State, to read as follows:

I. MERGER

The trial court of the Sixth Judicial District are hereby unified into one trial court of general jurisdiction to be known as "the District Court".

II. DIVISIONS

- A. The District Court shall for administrative purposes consist of the following divisions:
 - 1. Civil Division, consisting of all civil cases.
 - 2. Criminal Division, consisting of all criminal cases.
 - 3. Family Division, consisting of all family cases.
 - 4. Juvenile Division, consisting of all juvenile cases.
 - 5. Probate Division, consisting of all probate cases.
- B. The divisions created in the original Sixth Judicial District Court Unification Plan, heretofore known as Division I, and Division II, are hereby abolished.

III. ASSIGNMENTS

- A. No judge who was a District Court judge prior to adoption of the original unification plan may be assigned without his consent to handle cases of a type that was not venued in the District Court prior to adoption of the original unification plan, except for assignment to individual cases or on a short term basis if determined by the chief judge to be necessary for the proper administration of justice in the district.
- B. No judge who was a County Court judge prior to adoption of the original unification plan may be assigned without his consent to handle cases of a type that was not venued in the County Court prior to adoption of the original unification plan, except for assignment to individual cases or on a short term

basis if determined by the chief judge to be necessary for the proper administration of justice in the district.

C. All assignments shall be made with due consideration for the preference and the seniority of the individual judge involved, to the extent that this can be accomplished consistent with effective judicial administration within the district.

IV. SENIORITY

In all situations where decisions, rights or privileges shall depend upon judicial seniority within the district, seniority shall be established as follows:

- 1. First, those judges who were District Court judges on the effective date of the original unification plan, in order of their seniority as of that date; and
- 2. Second, those judges who were County Court judges on the effective date of the original unification plan, in order of their seniority as of that date; and
- 3. Third, those judges who take office, in order, after the effective date of the original unification plan.

V. CHAMBERS

The chambers location of all judges shall continue as presently existing and as provided by law.

VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Amended Unification Plan for the Sixth Judicial District shall be effective on January 1, 1988.

Dated: December 15, 1986.

Hon Mitchell Dubow Judge Judge of District Court Høn Jack Litman Judge/of Districk Hon. Ackerson Judge of District Court Hon David Bouschor Hen Dale Wolf Judge of District Court Judge of District Court Hon/ Kenheth Sandvik Hon. Charles Barnes Judge of District Court Judge of District Court OMu. Hon. Joseph Scherkenbach Judge of District Court Hon. Donovan Frank Judge of District Court Hon: Robert Campbell Judge of Distract Court John Oswald Judge of District Court Hon. Galen Wilson Han Dennis G. Seitz Judge of District Court Judge of District Court

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