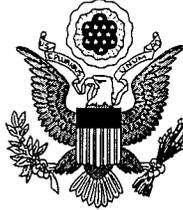


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO
OFFICE OF THE CLERK



NOTICE TO COUNSEL
NO. 04-02

IN THE MATTER OF BAR MEMBERSHIP INITIAL AND RENEWAL FEES

Please be advised that the Judges of this Court have unanimously approved, effective January 21, 2004, the following membership fees, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1914(c). The new fees apply prospectively.

1. Attorneys admitted to practice before this Court shall pay an annual bar membership renewal fee of fifty (\$50.00) dollars payable on October 1 of each year, except as indicated below:

A. Members of the bar who are employed in a position of attorney in any dependency of the Federal government shall be exempt from payment, provided that the member files an annual certification attesting such status, signed by the member's agency head.

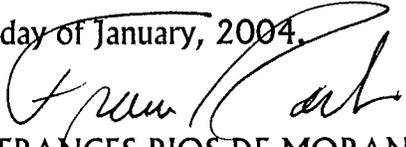
B. Members of the bar who are employed in a position of attorney in any dependency of the Commonwealth government shall be exempt from payment, provided that the member files an annual certification attesting such status, signed by the member's agency head.

C. Members of the bar who are judges with the Commonwealth courts or administrative law judges with a Commonwealth agency, shall be exempt from payment, regardless of when they became judges, provided that an appropriate certification is filed annually attesting the status of judge.

2. All members of the bar will pay an initial admission fee in the amount of one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars, except that Commonwealth government judges shall be exempt from such payment.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 22nd day of January, 2004.


FRANCES RIOS DE MORAN, ESQ.
CLERK OF COURT