

## Rule 229

### COSTS

- (a) **Assessment.** The Supreme Court may assess costs against a respondent.
- (b) **Certification.** If the Supreme Court assesses costs against the respondent, the disciplinary administrator must certify to the Supreme Court the costs incurred for the following:
  - (1) an investigation under Rule 209;
  - (2) a hearing under Rule 222 on the formal complaint; or
  - (3) a hearing under Rule 227(i) on a motion to revoke probation.
- (c) **Service.** The disciplinary administrator must serve the respondent with a copy of the certificate of costs under subsection (b).
- (d) **Payment of Costs.** Costs assessed against a respondent must be paid to the clerk of the appellate courts no later than 30 days after service of a copy of the certificate of costs or as otherwise ordered by the Supreme Court. Costs received will be deposited in the disciplinary fee fund.
- (e) **Effect of Failure to Pay Costs.** If a respondent fails to pay any costs assessed, the disciplinary administrator may seek the temporary suspension of the attorney's license to practice law under Rule 213.

[**History:** New rule adopted effective January 1, 2021.]