

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A
BIENNIAL FEE TO ASSIST
THE FUNDING OF THE FEDERAL
PRO SE CLINIC PROGRAM**

**DISTRICT COURT GENERAL
ORDER 2022-7**

In District Court General Order 2019-4, the Court approved a pilot program authorizing the creation and operation of a clinic to assist pro se litigants beginning on or after March 1, 2018. In keeping with the policy of this Court to provide judicial services to all people of Colorado, the Federal Pro Se Clinic employs staff and volunteer attorneys to provide legal advice to unrepresented litigants who seek guidance about their litigation. The Federal Pro Se Clinic – and its equivalent in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, the Federal Bankruptcy Pro Se Clinic – are operated by the Colorado Bar Association (“CBA”) pursuant to an agreement between the CBA and the Court. The Federal Pro Se Clinic was initially funded by a grant from the Court’s attorney admissions fees and, thereafter, by a biennial assessment collected from attorneys admitted to practice before the Court.

Having established the efficacy of the Pro Se Clinic, the Court hereby establishes the Federal Pro Se Clinic on an ongoing basis. The Court will periodically review the terms of the agreement with the Colorado Bar Association. Furthermore, the Court hereby establishes, on an ongoing basis, the means of funding the operations of the Federal Pro Se Clinic and the Federal Bankruptcy Pro Se Clinic by collecting a biennial renewal fee, collected every two years, from all U.S. District Court bar members. The fee amount will vary, depending on the reasonable needs of the Federal Pro Se Clinic program. The fee is waived for all attorneys employed by the U.S. government who serve in a legal capacity.

The collection period for the next Biennial Renewal Fee is October 1 – December 31, 2022 and will continue every other year thereafter. Members of the bar will be notified by email prior to the collection period for the fee. The Court’s website will announce an upcoming collection period as well. Attorneys admitted before October 1 of the biennial fee year will be required to pay the Biennial Renewal Fee during the collection period. Payment may be made only by electronic means.

Attorneys who fail to pay the fee by December 31st of the Biennial Renewal Fee year will be subject to removal from the roll of the Court’s Bar. Attorneys removed from the roll of attorneys must reapply for membership under D.C.COLO.LAttyR 3 and pay the full fee for admission if they desire to practice again before this Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated at Denver, Colorado this 1st day of June, 2022.

BY THE COURT

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Philip A. Brimmer', is written over a horizontal line.

PHILIP A. BRIMMER
Chief United States District Judge