

**193A—18.2(272C,542) Reporting judgments and settlements alleging malpractice.**

**18.2(1)** Iowa Code section 272C.9(3) requires a licensee to report to the board every adverse judgment in a professional malpractice action to which the licensee is a party and every settlement of a claim against the licensee. For the purposes of this rule, malpractice actions brought against a firm licensed by the board will be deemed to have been brought against both the firm and the firm's owners (e.g., partners, shareholders, or members) that performed the services that led to the malpractice action.

**18.2(2)** When a licensee is a party to an adverse judgment resulting from a professional malpractice action or is a party to a settlement of a claim resulting from an allegation of malpractice, the licensee shall file a report in writing forwarded to the board office, setting forth the name and address of the client, the date the claim was originally made, a brief description of the circumstances precipitating the claim and a copy of the judgment or settlement agreement resulting from the claim. It is the intent of this rule to require the reporting of all judgments or settlements resulting from claims that were initiated by court action and not claims of malpractice that are made against a licensee that are not filed in a court of law.

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