Subject to the approval of the council, any judicial district bar may adopt a fee dispute resolution program for the purpose of resolving disputes involving lawyers residing or doing business in the district. The State Bar does not offer arbitration as a form of dispute resolution. The judicial district bar may offer arbitration to resolve a disputed fee. A judicial district bar fee dispute resolution program shall have jurisdiction over disputes that would otherwise be addressed by the State Bar's ACAP department. Such programs may be tailored to accommodate local conditions but they must be offered without cost and must comply with the jurisdictional restrictions set forth in Rule .0702 of this Subchapter.

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