Rule 58. Entry of Judgment

Subject to the provisions of SCR-Dom Rel 54(b): (1) Upon a decision by the Court that a party shall recover only a sum certain or costs or that all relief shall be denied, the Clerk, unless the Court otherwise orders, shall forthwith prepare, sign, and enter the judgment without awaiting any direction by the Court; (2) upon a decision by the Court granting other relief, the Court shall promptly approve the form of the judgment, and the Clerk shall thereupon enter it. A judgment is effective only when so set forth and when entered as provided in SCR-Dom Rel 79(a). Entry of the judgment shall not be delayed for the award of costs and fees.

COMMENT

The last sentence of this Rule makes it clear that the Court should not delay the finality of the judgment until a claim for costs and fees is decided.