

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

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Upon the recommendation of the Board of Law Examiners,
and the Court being fully advised of the premises,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Rules V, VI and VIII be
and hereby are amended to read as follows:

RULE V

Application for Examination

For the purpose of this Rule, if any date falls on a
Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the deadline shall be the
first working day thereafter, and no application will be
accepted any day after the close of business at 4:30 P.M.

A. Every person desiring permission to take the exami-
nation shall make typewritten application to the Board in
the manner prescribed by the Board. Such application shall
be filed in the office of the Director of Bar Admissions on
or before November 15 for the February examination and on or
before April 15 for the July examination, and shall be
accompanied by:

(1) A fee of \$150.00 in the form of a certified
check, bank draft, or money order payable to the State Board
of Law Examiners.

(2) Affidavits of two persons unrelated to the
applicant by blood or marriage, who have known the applicant
for at least one year, setting forth the duration of time,
the circumstances under which they have known the applicant,
details respecting the applicant's habits and general repu-
tation, and such other information as may be proper to
enable the Board to determine the moral character of the
applicant.

The Board in its discretion may require any applicant
to furnish at the applicant's expense a Character Investiga-
tion Report of the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

3. Every person desiring permission to take the exami-
nation shall also file or cause to be filed with the Board

at least 15 days prior to the examination a certificate from an approved law school showing that such person has graduated, or that such person has officially fulfilled all requirements for graduation and will be graduated prior to the next examination. Certification for admission will not be made to the Supreme Court until such time as proof of graduation has been filed.

C. If an application is filed late, but not later than 10 days after the last day for filing a timely application, a late filing fee of \$25.00 shall be paid. An application filed thereafter shall be accompanied by a late filing fee in the sum of \$125.00. The last day for filing any application shall be January 15 for the February examination and June 15 for the July examination.

D. An applicant may withdraw his or her application and be refunded \$50.00 by giving notice of withdrawal to the Board. Such notice shall be in writing and must be received in the office of the Board of Law Examiners not later than four days prior to the examination. An applicant who fails to take or complete the examination shall not be entitled to any refund.

E. An applicant who is denied permission to take the examination will be refunded the sum of \$50.00 which represents the portion of the application fee charged for taking the examination.

RULE VI

Access to Examination Data

Any applicant who is unsuccessful on a bar examination shall be furnished the scores assigned to each of the various portions of the examination and may obtain copies of his or her answers to the essay questions by ordering them from the office of the Board of Law Examiners accompanying such order with a certified check, bank draft or money order payable to the State Board of Law Examiners in the sum of \$25.00. All such orders for copies must be made within thirty days after the scores are released. The copies shall be mailed as soon as prepared to the address of the examinee as it appears in the records of the office of the Board of Law Examiners.

RULE VIII

Attorneys from Other States -- How Admitted

Any attorney at law duly admitted to practice in another state, territory or the District of Columbia desiring admission to the practice of law in this state shall make typewritten application to the Board in the manner prescribed by the Board. Such application shall be filed in the office of the Director of Bar Admissions and shall be accompanied by the following:

A. (1) A certified copy of his or her application for admission to the bar in the state, territory or the District of Columbia in which he or she has been admitted to the practice of law.

(2) A certificate of his or her admission to the bar in said state, territory or the District of Columbia.

(3) A certificate from the proper court or body therein that he or she is in good standing and not under pending charges of misconduct.

(4) A certificate of a judge of a court of record and affidavits of two practicing attorneys of said state, territory or the District of Columbia, stating how long and under what circumstances they have known the applicant and what they know of applicant's character and his or her experience in the practice or teaching of law.

(5) (a) A fee in the amount prescribed by the provisions of Rule V hereof, or

(b) If the applicant will have been admitted in such other state, territory or the District of Columbia more than one year prior to the first day of the next examination or seeks admission under the provisions of Paragraph D of this Rule, a fee of \$400.00 in the form of a certified check, bank draft, or money order payable to the State Board of Law Examiners, no part of which shall be refunded should the application be denied.

B. If the Board doubts the character or qualifications of the applicant it may impose such other tests as in its discretion may seem proper.

C. When an application for admission is made by a person admitted for more than one year to practice law in other states, territories or the District of Columbia the Board shall employ the National Conference of Bar Examiners to make investigation and report upon said application, and to pay a reasonable fee to said National Conference of Bar Examiners in making the investigation and report.

D. The Supreme Court may waive the Minnesota examination requirement and admit to practice law in this state any individual who has established to the satisfaction of the Board of Law Examiners:

(1) That he or she has met the requirements of Rule II A. (1), (2), (3), and (5). If prior to July 1, 1980, and more than five years prior to making application in Minnesota the applicant was admitted in the highest court of such jurisdiction by taking a written examination which included the subject of Legal Ethics or Professional Responsibility, the requirement of Rule II A. (5) shall be waived.

(2)(a) That he or she has been admitted to practice in the highest court of such other jurisdiction and has as his or her principal occupation been actively engaged in the practice of law for at least five of the seven years next preceding his or her application. Practice of law, for purposes of this Rule, when conducted pursuant to a license granted by another jurisdiction shall include:

(1) Legal service as a sole practitioner or as a member of a law firm, professional corporation or association;

(2) Judicial service in a court of record or other legal service with any local or state government or with the federal government including services as a member of the Judge Advocate General's Department of one of the Military Branches of the United States;

(3) Legal service as corporate counsel or a trust officer;

(4) Teaching full-time in any law school approved by the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar; or

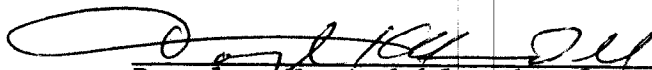
(b) That he or she has been admitted to practice in the highest court of such other jurisdiction upon successful completion of a written bar examination and has received a scaled score of 145 or above on the Multistate Bar Examination which was taken as a part of and at the same time as the essay or other part of such examination. Petitions for

admission on the basis of such a score must be made within two years of the date of the examination that is being used as the basis for the admission.

(3) No person who has failed the Minnesota State Bar Examination shall be eligible for admission under the provisions of this Rule.

DATED: *AUG 31, 1984*

BY THE COURT:



Douglas K. Amdahl, Chief Justice

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