

STATE OF MINNESOTA
IN SUPREME COURT

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IT IS ORDERED, That the orders of February 5, 1942, and March 10, 1942, relating to admissions to the bar, be hereby revoked, and in lieu of said orders the court announces that its policy in lifting the rule requiring examinations for admission to the bar insofar as it relates to seniors and graduates of approved law schools who are entering the armed services of the United States or the Federal Bureau of Investigation will be as follows:

(a) A senior in an approved law school who has completed all of the work of previous years and not less than one-half of the work of the senior year and who is entering the armed services of the United States or the Federal Bureau of Investigation may be admitted to the bar of this state without examination upon a certificate of the law school that he has maintained an average in his studies which places him in the highest eighty per cent of those to be graduated in his class, and which, if maintained to the end of the school year, would entitle him to a diploma in the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and a statement by such law school that in its opinion the candidate is of good moral character and otherwise in every respect qualified for admission to the bar.

(b) A graduate of an approved law school who is entering the armed services of the United States or the Federal Bureau of Investigation and who has maintained an average in his studies which places him in the highest eighty per cent of those who were graduated in his class may be admitted without examination upon a statement by such law school that he has been graduated from the school and the date of graduation and that in its opinion the applicant is of good moral character and otherwise in every respect qualified for admission to the bar; provided, however, that it will not be

the policy of the court to admit such a graduate who has failed the bar examination more than twice or who in such bar examinations has attained an average of less than sixty per cent or who has not taken the bar examination within a year, or who has unreasonably neglected an opportunity to take the bar examination.

Application for admission will be made directly to the State Board of Law Examiners on the usual form. The general requirements now in force as to prelegal education and affidavits from two practicing attorneys shall apply. No application fee will be required.

This court is informed that applicants who are entering the Federal Bureau of Investigation are taken into that bureau on three months' probation and they will not be admitted to the bar by this court until their probationary period has passed and evidence is presented that they have been permanently employed by that bureau.

This is an announcement of policy and not a general order or rule. Each application will be considered by the court upon its own merits and the applicant admitted or rejected at the court's discretion.

Dated April 18, 1942.

BY THE COURT:

HENRY M. GALLAGHER
Chief Justice.