

Rule 52. Applications: Filing, number and contents.

1. (a) In order to permit and facilitate the examination, investigations, interviews and hearings necessary to determine the applicant's morals, character, qualifications and fitness to practice law, an applicant for a license to practice as an attorney and counselor at law in this state shall electronically file with the admissions director of the state bar, an application not later than March 1 if the application is for the following July examination and not later than October 1 if the application is for the following February examination. The applicant shall also file a Verification Form, to be furnished by the admissions director, in duplicate within 21 days of submission of the application. Applications will not be processed until the two required Verification Forms are received by the admissions director of the state bar.

(b) An applicant unable to comply with the filing deadlines provided in subsection 1(a) of this rule may file a late application not later than May 1 if the application is for the following July examination and not later than December 1 if the application is for the following February examination. The deadline for filing an application shall not be waived.

(c) Any applicant failing to pass the examination who wishes to take the next subsequent examination shall have 15 days from the date of mailing of the state bar's written notice to the applicant of his or her failure to pass the examination or until the late application deadlines set forth in subsection 1(b) of this rule, whichever date is later, to file a verified application with the admissions director of the state bar.

(d) Any military spouse who has relocated to Nevada due to military orders shall electronically file with the admissions director of the state bar, an application not later than February 1 if the application is for the following February examination and not later than July 1 if the application is for the following July examination. No late fees shall be charged to any military spouse who submits a bar exam application by the applicable dates listed above. The admissions department will not accept bar exam applications from military spouses electronically filed after February 1st (for the February bar exam) or July 1st (for the July bar exam). The admissions department will not issue any provisional or temporary licenses.

(e) An application shall be deemed filed on the day of electronic submission.

2. The application shall state:

(a) When and where the applicant was born and the various places of the applicant's residence, giving at least two references in each place in which the applicant has resided since attaining the age of 21 years and for the 5 years immediately preceding filing of the application.

(b) Whether or not the applicant has been engaged in business at any time; if so, where and the kind of business.

(c) The names and post office addresses of all persons by whom the applicant has been employed for a period of 10 years immediately preceding the making of the application.

(d) The applicant's general and legal education, what schools the applicant has attended, the length of time in attendance at each, whether or not the applicant is a graduate of any school or schools, and whether or not the applicant has ever been subject to discipline for violation of any school policy, including but not limited to, code of conduct and honor code violations.

(e) Whether or not the applicant has ever applied to any court, bar association, administrative body, governmental agency or other entity for admission to practice law; if so, when and where, and the results thereof.

(f) If a naturalized citizen, when and where naturalized.

(g) Whether or not the applicant has ever been arrested; if so, when and where, the nature of the crime charged, the disposition of the charge, complaint, indictment or information, the title and address of the police officials having custody of the record of arrest, and the names and locations of all courts before which any proceedings in connection with the arrest took place.

(h) The marital status of the applicant; if married, the name of the spouse, the date and place of marriage, and the number and names of children, if any; if divorced, the names of all former spouses, the dates of the decrees and the names of the court granting such decrees, and whether or not the applicant is subject to any spousal or child support orders and the current status of payments due thereunder.

(i) Whether or not the applicant has ever applied to practice in any jurisdiction. If the applicant has been admitted to practice law in any jurisdiction the applicant shall:

(1) State whether any complaint or charge resulting in an inquiry, investigation, or hearing, formal or informal, has ever been instituted against the applicant, or whether by resignation, withdrawal or otherwise the applicant has terminated or attempted to terminate the applicant's office as an attorney, and in either or any of the cases above referred to, giving full particulars; and

(2) Present a certificate of the clerk of the court in the state in which the applicant last practiced, certifying that the applicant is a member in good standing of the bar of that state or district, and that no disbarment or other

proceedings affecting the applicant's standing as an attorney are pending and undisposed of before the court, which certificate shall be supplemented by:

(I) A letter from the secretary of the local bar association of the city or county in which such applicant last resided (if there be such local bar association) and a letter from the secretary of each state bar association where the applicant is admitted to practice, certifying to the applicant's good moral character; and

(II) A letter of recommendation from the judge of the court of record before which the applicant last regularly practiced; and

(III) Such other evidence of good moral character and fitness as may be required by the court; and

(IV) Such other evidence as may be required by the board of bar examiners.

(j) Whether the applicant has ever defaulted on any financial obligations, including without limitation, student loans, and in the case of student loans, the present payment status thereof.

(k) Whether or not the applicant is, or ever has been, a member of any organization devoted to, or advocating support of, the violent overthrow of the government of the United States or of any state, giving full particulars.

3. On making application for admission, each applicant shall authorize the state bar, and its agency and representatives, to acquire from any source any information it may request concerning the applicant's professional, academic and character qualifications, which information may include, without limitation implied by enumeration, confidential reports, files, records, proceedings, documents and transcripts in any type of civil, criminal, disciplinary or administrative action or proceeding, and further to authorize the National Conference of Bar Examiners, or any other reporting agency, to submit to the state bar its character report on the applicant, and shall agree that the applicant shall not have access to confidential reports, and to other information except as the board of bar examiners may permit. Such applicant shall further authorize any state bar, bar association or other admitting authority to release to the State Bar of Nevada and its agents and representatives, including the National Conference of Bar Examiners, any or all similar information enumerated above.

The applicant, on making application for admission, shall consent to the disclosure of all information as set forth in this subsection pursuant to any request by any state bar, bar association, the National Conference of Bar Examiners or other admitting authority.

4. Each applicant shall attach to each Verification Form a head-and-shoulders photograph, not smaller than 2 inches by 2 inches, taken within four months of the submission of the application.

5. A false statement on the application forms filed with the admissions director, or failure to set out information required on the forms, shall be sufficient cause for denial of admission.