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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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LENGAPPELLATE COURTS

RULES RELATING TO ADMISSION OF ATTORNEYS

Rule 704 ADMISSION TO THE BAR UPON WRITTEN EXAMINATION

Supreme Court Rule 704(b) is hereby amended, effective January 1, 2005:

- (b) Each applicant for admission to the bar upon written examination shall file a completed application for admission to be received in the Office of the Clerk of the Appellate Courts on or before April March 15 (for the July examination) and on or before November October 15 (for the February examination) on forms approved by the Court and procured from the Clerk of the Appellate Courts. The completed application shall consist of:
 - (1) a verified petition to the Supreme Court;
 - (2) not less than three affidavits or certificates, on forms to be supplied by the Clerk of the Appellate Courts, from responsible persons attesting that the applicant is a person of good moral character, or such other evidence of character as shall be satisfactory to the Board; and
 - (3) any other and further information as the Board then or thereafter may require for its consideration of the application.

Any applicant who wishes to file a completed application for admission after the filing deadline, but on or before <u>May April</u> 15 (for the July examination) and on or before <u>December November</u> 15 (for the February examination), shall pay a late penalty fee in the amount of \$200 in addition to the application fee.

Notwithstanding the deadlines set out above, any applicant who is unsuccessful on the February Kansas Bar Examination will be given 30 days from the date of the letter announcing results to make reapplication without imposition of a late penalty fee. Any such application received more than 30 days after the date of the letter announcing results must include the late penalty fee to be considered.

Any application returned to the applicant due to deficiencies will not be considered as timely filed.

Any application received after May April 15 (for the July examination) and December November 15 (for the February examination) shall be considered as an application for the next ensuing bar examination. No applicant for admission to the bar shall be permitted to take the bar examination until the application has been considered and approved by the Board.

Failure to accurately and completely answer all questions on the petition, failure to disclose requested information, lack of candor in any answer or falsification of any answer may result in denial of an application for admission to practice law in Kansas and may constitute grounds for revocation of the license to practice law granted to any person based thereon.

If the applicant does not take the examination for which application is made, the original application shall remain valid for the next ensuing examination; however, the applicant must notify the Clerk of the Appellate Courts in writing by the filing deadline that he or she intends to take the examination and file an updated application or an affidavit verifying that the application on file remains current. The current application fee and late penalty fee, if applicable, shall be paid on or before the filing date. If the failure of an applicant to take the bar examination for which application is made is the result of delay attendant to investigation of applicant's fitness and/or character, the need for a hearing thereon, or actions of the Disciplinary Administrator, the Board of Law Examiners, or the Supreme Court, the period for taking the examination and the viability of the application fee shall be extended for such additional time as shall be determined by the Board.

By order of the Court, this 7th day of October 2004.

av McFarland, Chief Justice