

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULE II

RULE II. Admission to Practice Law: General Requirements

Section 1. To be eligible for certification by the Committee to the Supreme Court of California to practice law in California, all applicants must meet the ~~following requirements in Section 1, in addition to any other requirements set forth below that may be applicable:~~

- (a) Be of the age of at least 18 years;
- (b) Be of good moral character pursuant to the provisions of Rule X;
- ~~(c) Complete the general education requirements pursuant to the provisions of Rule VII prior to commencing the study of law;~~
- ~~(d) Register as a general applicant (Rule III) or attorney applicant (Rule IV);~~
- ~~(e) Complete the legal education requirements prescribed in Rule VII prior to taking the California Bar Examination;~~
- ~~(f) Qualify for and pass or establish exemption from the First-Year Law Students' Examination in accordance with the provisions of Rule VIII;~~
- ~~(g) Pass the California Bar Examination and such examination in professional responsibility or legal ethics as determined by the Committee and as specified in Rule VIII; and,~~
- ~~(h) Be in compliance with California court ordered child or family support obligations pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 11350.6.~~

Section 2. General Applicants with Legal Education completed in a United States Law School. General applicants who wish to qualify under this section must also meet the following requirements:

- (a) Complete the general education requirements pursuant to the provisions of Rule VII prior to commencing the study of law;
- (b) Complete the legal education requirements prescribed in Rule VII prior to taking the California Bar Examination; and
- (c) Qualify for and pass or establish exemption from the First-Year Law Students' Examination in accordance with the provisions of Rule VIII.

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Section 3. General Applicants with Foreign Legal Education

- (a) General applicants who have a first degree in law, acceptable to the Committee, from a law school located in a foreign state or country, in addition to the requirements of Section 1, must also complete a year of legal education at a law school approved by the American Bar Association or accredited by the Committee in the areas of law as prescribed by the Committee prior to taking the California Bar Examination.
- (b) General applicants who completed legal education in a law school located in a foreign state or country without the first degree in law, in addition to the requirements of Section 1, must also meet the following requirements:
 - (1) Complete the general education requirements pursuant to the provisions of Rule VII, Section 1 prior to commencing the study of law;
 - (2) Complete the legal education requirements prescribed in Rule VII, Section 2 (applicant may receive up to one year of legal education credit from foreign legal study); and
 - (3) Qualify for and pass or establish exemption from the First-Year Law Students' Examination in accordance with the provisions of Rule VIII.

Section 4. Attorney Applicants Upon completion of the requirements in Section 1 above, attorney applicants will be eligible for certification by the Committee.

