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Alabama	N/A	1 Week	6 Months	12 Months	9 Months	12 Months	6 Months
Alaska	Yes	62 Days	674 Days	N/A	999 Days for Reprimand 736 Days for Admonition	1,601 Days for Suspension 158 Days for Reprimand	2 Days
Arizona	Yes	53 Days	199 Days	351 Days	N/A	567 Days	645 Days*
California	Yes	49 Days	187 Days	392 Days	582 Days	580 Days*	420 Days
Colorado	N/A	1.5 Weeks	29.1 Weeks	32.3 Weeks	48.6 Weeks	56.4 Weeks	20.2 Weeks
Connecticut	Yes	14 Days	88 Days	89 Days	N/A	232 Days	N/A
Delaware	N/A	7-14 Days	60 Days	120 Days	120 Days	210 Days	180 Days
Florida	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Georgia	N/A	3 Days	60 Days	6 Months	10 Months	14 Months	2 Months
Hawaii	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Idaho	N/A	2 Weeks*	9 Months*	9 Months*	9 Months*	2 Years*	3 Months*
Iowa	N/A	3 Days	6 Months	18 Months	6 Months	15 Months	3 Months
Kansas	N/A	1 Week	N/A	9 Months -1 Yr.	N/A	1 Yr. -1 1/2 Yrs.	1 Yr. - 1 1/2 Yrs.
Kentucky	N/A	22 Days	72 Days	158 Days	373 Days	747 Days	279 Days
Louisiana	Yes	3 Days	334 Days	325 Days	660 Days	1,239 Days	504 Days
Maine	N/A	3-5 Days	3-4 Months	6-8 Months	3-4 Months	6-8 Months	4-6 Months
Maryland	Yes	20 Days	120 Days	10 Months	N/A	12-13 Months	30 Days

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Massachusetts ¹	N/A	11 Days	216 Days	616 Days	507 Days	970 Days	196 Days ²
Michigan	N/A	4 Weeks*	6 Months*	8 Months*	8 Months*	14 Months*	3 Months*
Minnesota	N/A	1 Month	6 Month	N/A	Admonition - 12 Months Probation - 17 Months	24.5 Months	7 Months
Mississippi	N/A	90 Days	90 Days	180 Days	90 Days	90 Days	270 Days
Montana	N/A	1-2 Days	120 Days	6 Months	8 Months	18 Months	1 Yr.
Nebraska	Yes	1-2 Days	30-60 Days	3-6 Months	4-7 Months	1-2 Yrs	2 Months
Nevada	Yes	1-4 Weeks*	30-60 Days* ³ 45-90 Days	60-120 Days*	60-90 Days*	Uncontested 4-9 Months ³ Contested 9-12 Months*	60-90 Days
New Mexico	N/A	1 Month	6 Months - 1 Yr.	6 Months - 1 Yr.	1 Year*	1 Year*	6 Months - 1 Yr.
New York 1st Jud. Dept.	N/A	14 Days	5 Months	23 Months	23 Months	N/A	3 Months
New York 2nd Jud. Dept. 2nd & 11th Jud. Dist.	N/A	2 Weeks	6 Months	6 Months - 1 Yr.	6 Months	12 - 18 Months	12 - 18 Months
New York 2nd Jud. Dept. 9th Jud. Dist.	N/A	1 Week	9 Months - 1 Yr.	Varies	9 Months - 1 Yr.	Varies	Varies
New York 2nd Jud. Dept. 10th Jud. Dist.	N/A	3 Weeks	6 Months	1 Year	Varies	Varies	Varies
New York 3rd Jud. Dept.	N/A	90 Days*	120 Days*	180 Days*	120 Days*	6 Months - 1 Yr.	45 Days

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¹Massachusetts: Excludes Central Intake processing times.

²Massachusetts: Excludes automatic reinstatements.

³Nevada: Dismissed at correspondent level with no grievance file opened, but some investigation: 30-60 days. Dismissed after grievance file is opened and reviewed by a screening panel: 45-90 days.

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New York 4th Jud. Dept. 5th, 7th & 8th Jud. Dist.	N/A	14 Days	90 Days	9 Months	2-6 Months	1 Yr.	3 Months
North Carolina	NA	58 Days	253 Days	523 Days	297 Days	1,751 Days	74 Days
North Dakota	Yes	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	6 Months	6 Months
Ohio	Yes	4 Weeks	60-150 Days	150+ Days	N/A	24 Months	6 Months if hearing required.
Oklahoma	N/A	15-20 Days*	120 Days*	150 Days*	130 Days*	12 Months	9 Months*
Oregon	Yes	7 Days	150 Days	250 Days	N/A	19 Months	60 Days-6 Month ⁴
Pennsylvania	Yes	7 Days	44 Days	7 Months*	13.1 Months	24.4 Months	6.5 Months
Rhode Island	N/A	2 Days	90 Days	6 Months	8 Months	10 Months	4 Months
South Dakota	N/A	3-7 Days	80 Days	120-180 Days	150 Days	240 Days	90 Days
Tennessee	N/A	1-5 Days*	365 Days*	180 Days*	365 Days*	1-2 Years*	365 Days*
Texas	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Vermont	N/A	< 30 Days	1-3 Months	4-6 Months	12 Months	12 Months	4 Months
Washington	N/A	5 Days*	72 Days*	426 Days*	N/A	N/A	N/A
West Virginia	N/A	3 Days*	1 Year*	1 1/2 Years*	N/A	2 Years*	2 Years*
Wisconsin	Yes	62 Days	359 Days	N/A	569 Days	799 Days	171 Days
Wyoming	N/A	2 Weeks*	1 Month*	2 Months	2 Months*	3 Months*	N/A

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⁴Oregon: For uncontested matters (reinstatements after inactive status, or after short-term suspension), 60 days. For uncontested matters when applicant has been away from law practice for an extended period or has more extensive disciplinary history, 6 months. For contested matters that are litigated and appealed, average is similar to other discipline cases.