

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION  
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**Admission by Motion Rules**

The American Bar Association adopts a *Model Rule on Admission by Motion*.

<b>AL</b>	<p>Rule III. Persons Entitled to Admission Without Examination. Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar</p> <p><a href="http://www.alabar.org/rulechanges/Rule%20III_Reciprocity_Supreme%20Court%20Order.pdf">http://www.alabar.org/rulechanges/Rule%20III_Reciprocity_Supreme%20Court%20Order.pdf</a></p> <p>Fee: \$600</p>
<b>AK</b>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p> <p>Alaska Bar Rule 2, Section 2. <a href="http://www.alaskabar.org/library/admissionsrules.pdf">http://www.alaskabar.org/library/admissionsrules.pdf</a></p> <p>Fee: \$1500</p>
<b>AZ</b>	<p>On September 8, 2008, the Supreme Court of Arizona adopted a rule on admission by motion, effective January 1, 2010.</p> <p><a href="http://www.supreme.state.az.us/admis/pdf/Rule38Amendment.pdf">http://www.supreme.state.az.us/admis/pdf/Rule38Amendment.pdf</a></p>
<b>AR</b>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required</p> <p>Admission to the Bar Rule XVI RULE XVI. ADMISSION ON MOTION</p> <p><a href="http://courts.state.ar.us/opinions/2004a/20040226/admission.html">http://courts.state.ar.us/opinions/2004a/20040226/admission.html</a></p> <p>Fee: \$1500</p>
<b>CA</b>	<p>No Rule.</p>
	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p>

<p><b>CO</b></p>	<p>Colorado Admission Rule 201.3(1)  <a href="http://www.coloradosupremecourt.com/BLE/Forms/Rules.htm">http://www.coloradosupremecourt.com/BLE/Forms/Rules.htm</a></p> <p>Fee: \$800</p> <p>Temporary practice by out-of-state lawyer allowed.</p> <p>Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure, Chapter 18. Rules Governing Admission To The Bar, Rule 220  <a href="http://www.michie.com/colorado/lpExt.dll?f=templates&amp;eMail=Y&amp;fn=main-h.htm&amp;cp=corules/2/3/275a">http://www.michie.com/colorado/lpExt.dll?f=templates&amp;eMail=Y&amp;fn=main-h.htm&amp;cp=corules/2/3/275a</a></p>
<p><b>CT</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p> <p>Section 2-13, Connecticut Superior Court Rules Regulating Admission to the Bar  <a href="http://www.jud.state.ct.us/CBEC/#Sec.%202-13">http://www.jud.state.ct.us/CBEC/#Sec.%202-13</a>.</p> <p>Fee: \$1000</p>
<p><b>DE</b></p>	<p>No Rule.</p>
<p><b>DC</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion available.</p> <p>D.C. App. Rule 46.  <a href="http://www.dcappeals.gov/dccourts/docs/MotionInstructionsAndForms.pdf">http://www.dcappeals.gov/dccourts/docs/MotionInstructionsAndForms.pdf</a></p> <p>Fee: \$400</p>
<p><b>FL</b></p>	<p>No Rule.</p>
<p><b>GA</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p> <p>Rules Governing Admission to the Practice of Law, Admission on Motion Without Examination  <a href="http://www.gabaradmissions.org/pages/bar1212rule.html">http://www.gabaradmissions.org/pages/bar1212rule.html</a></p> <p>Fee: \$500</p>
<p><b>HI</b></p>	<p>No Rule.</p>
<p><b>ID</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p> <p>Idaho Bar Commission Rule 204A (amended October 2006)  <a href="http://isb.idaho.gov/general/rules/ibcr.html">http://isb.idaho.gov/general/rules/ibcr.html</a></p> <p>Fee: \$800</p>

<b>IL</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 705 <a href="http://www.state.il.us/court/SupremeCourt/Rules/Art_VII/artvii.htm#Rule%20705">http://www.state.il.us/court/SupremeCourt/Rules/Art_VII/artvii.htm#Rule%20705</a> Fee: \$800
<b>IN</b>	Admission by Motion available. Rule 6, Indiana Supreme Court Rules for Admission to the Bar <a href="http://www.in.gov/judiciary/rules/ad_dis/index.html#r6">http://www.in.gov/judiciary/rules/ad_dis/index.html#r6</a> Fee: \$750
<b>IA</b>	Admission by Motion available. Iowa Supreme Court Rule 31.12 <a href="http://www.legis.state.ia.us/Rules/Current/court/courtrules.pdf">http://www.legis.state.ia.us/Rules/Current/court/courtrules.pdf</a> Fee: \$625
<b>KS</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. Effective July 1, 2005 Kansas Supreme Court Rule 708: Admission To The Bar Without Written Examination <a href="http://www.kscourts.org/rules/Rule-Info.asp?r1=Rules+Relating+to+Admission+of+Attorneys&amp;r2=121">http://www.kscourts.org/rules/Rule-Info.asp?r1=Rules+Relating+to+Admission+of+Attorneys&amp;r2=121</a> Fee: \$1250
<b>KY</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. Kentucky Supreme Court Rule 2.110(5) <a href="http://www.kyoba.org/Rules/SRC/scr2110.html">http://www.kyoba.org/Rules/SRC/scr2110.html</a> Fee: \$1200
<b>LA</b>	No Rule.
<b>ME</b>	Admission by Motion for Vermont and New Hampshire lawyers. Rule 11A, Maine Bar Admission Rules <a href="http://www.courts.state.me.us/rules_forms_fees/rules/MBarAdmRules1-09.pdf">http://www.courts.state.me.us/rules_forms_fees/rules/MBarAdmRules1-09.pdf</a> Fee: \$600

<b>MD</b>	No Rule.
<b>MA</b>	Admission by Motion available.  Ethical Requirements and Rules Concerning the Practice of Law of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, Rule 3:01, Section 6.1 <a href="http://www.mass.gov/bbe/barapprulesaug2002.pdf">http://www.mass.gov/bbe/barapprulesaug2002.pdf</a>  Fee: \$1015
<b>MI</b>	Admission by Motion available.  Michigan Compiled Law §600.946 <a href="http://www.michbar.org/">http://www.michbar.org/</a>  Rules For The Board Of Law Examiners Rule 5 Admission Without Examination <a href="http://courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/BdofLawExaminers/CourtRules.htm#Rule5">http://courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/BdofLawExaminers/CourtRules.htm#Rule5</a>  Fee: \$600
<b>MN</b>	Admission by Motion available.  Minnesota Supreme Court Rules for Admission to the Bar, Rule 7 <a href="http://www.ble.state.mn.us/rules.html#rule7">http://www.ble.state.mn.us/rules.html#rule7</a>  Fee: \$750
<b>MS</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.  Rules Governing Admission to the Mississippi Bar Rule VI. Admission by Comity and Reciprocity <a href="http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/rules/msrulesofcourt/rules_admission_msbar.pdf">http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/rules/msrulesofcourt/rules_admission_msbar.pdf</a>  Fee: \$1500
<b>MO</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.  Missouri Supreme Court Rules Governing the Missouri Bar, Rule 8.10 <a href="http://www.courts.mo.gov/page.asp?id=72">http://www.courts.mo.gov/page.asp?id=72</a>

	Fee: \$1240
<b>MT</b>	No Rule.
<b>NE</b>	<p>Admission by Motion available.</p> <p>Rule 5, Nebraska Supreme Court Admission Rules for Attorneys          Chapter 3 of Nebraska Court Rules, Article 1, Section 3-105, Admission Qualifications:          Rule a(2)  <a href="http://court.nol.org/rules/pdf/Ch3Art1.pdf">http://court.nol.org/rules/pdf/Ch3Art1.pdf</a></p> <p>Fee: \$700-\$950</p>
<b>NV</b>	<p>No Rule.</p> <p>SCR 189.1 allows temporary transactional practice by out-of-state lawyers: registration requirement.  <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/CourtRules/SCR.html">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/CourtRules/SCR.html</a></p> <p>Fee: \$150</p>
<b>NH</b>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. (Effective March 1, 2003)          Amended Supreme Court Rule 42, Section 10A  <a href="http://www.nhbar.org/pdfs/AppendixURule42.doc">http://www.nhbar.org/pdfs/AppendixURule42.doc</a></p> <p>Fee: \$675</p>
<b>NJ</b>	No Rule.
<b>NM</b>	No Rule.
<b>NY</b>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p> <p>NYCRR § 520.10 (Admission Without Examination)  <a href="http://www.courts.state.ny.us/ctapps/520rules.htm#10">http://www.courts.state.ny.us/ctapps/520rules.htm#10</a></p> <p>Fee: \$400</p>
<b>NC</b>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.</p> <p>North Carolina Supreme Court Rules Governing Admission to the Practice of Law,          Section .0502  <a href="http://www.ncble.org/">http://www.ncble.org/</a></p> <p>Fee: \$1500</p>

<b>ND</b>	Admission by Motion available. North Dakota Admission to Practice Rule 6. <a href="http://www.court.state.nd.us/Rules/Admission/frameset.htm">http://www.court.state.nd.us/Rules/Admission/frameset.htm</a> Fee: \$400
<b>OH</b>	Admission by Motion available. Rules of the Government of the Bar of Ohio, Rule I, Section 9 <a href="http://www.sconet.state.oh.us/LegalResources/Rules/govbar/govbar.pdf#Rule1">http://www.sconet.state.oh.us/LegalResources/Rules/govbar/govbar.pdf#Rule1</a> Fee: \$1250
<b>OK</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. Oklahoma Rules Governing Admission to the Practice of Law, Rule 2 <a href="http://www.okbar.org/admissions/rules.htm">http://www.okbar.org/admissions/rules.htm</a> Fee: \$1500
<b>OR</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. Oregon Supreme Court Admission Rules, Rule 15.05. Admission of Attorneys Licensed to Practice Law in other Jurisdictions <a href="http://www.osbar.org/_docs/admissions/15.05FINAL.pdf">http://www.osbar.org/_docs/admissions/15.05FINAL.pdf</a> Fee: \$750
<b>PA</b>	Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required. Pa.B.A.R., Rule 204, 42 Pa.C.S.A. Pennsylvania Bar Admission Rule 204. <a href="http://www.pabarexam.org/bar_admission_rules/204.htm">http://www.pabarexam.org/bar_admission_rules/204.htm</a> Fee: \$900
<b>RI</b>	Admission by Motion available: <b>must</b> take essay portion of Rhode Island Bar examination. Article II, Rule 2, Rules of the Rhode Island Supreme Court. <a href="http://www.courts.state.ri.us/supreme/bar/rules.pdf">http://www.courts.state.ri.us/supreme/bar/rules.pdf</a> Fee: \$550

<p><b>SC</b></p>	<p>No Rule.</p>
<p><b>SD</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion available: reciprocity required.          SDCL 16-16-12.1 and 2  <a href="http://www.sdjudicial.com/index.asp?category=barexamination&amp;title=regulations&amp;nav=42">http://www.sdjudicial.com/index.asp?category=barexamination&amp;title=regulations&amp;nav=42</a>          Fee: \$450</p>
<p><b>TN</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion.          Tennessee Supreme Court Rules, Rule 7, Article I, Section 1.04 and Article V, Section 5.01.  <a href="http://www.tsc.state.tn.us/OPINIONS/TSC/RULES/TNRulesOfCourt/06supct1_9.htm#6">http://www.tsc.state.tn.us/OPINIONS/TSC/RULES/TNRulesOfCourt/06supct1_9.htm#6</a>          Fee: \$1000</p>
<p><b>TX</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion.          Texas Supreme Court Rules Governing Admission to the Bar, Rule XIII  <a href="http://www.ble.state.tx.us/Rules/NewRules/rulexiii.htm">http://www.ble.state.tx.us/Rules/NewRules/rulexiii.htm</a>          Fee: \$850</p>
<p><b>UT</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion; reciprocity required.          (Adopted January 24, 2003)  <a href="http://www.utahbar.org/admissions/reciprocity_rule.html">http://www.utahbar.org/admissions/reciprocity_rule.html</a>          Fee: \$625</p>
<p><b>VT</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion: reciprocity for New Hampshire lawyers          Rule 7, Vermont Supreme Court Rules of Admission to the Bar  <a href="http://www.michie.com/vermont/lpext.dll?f=templates&amp;fn=main-h.htm&amp;cp=">http://www.michie.com/vermont/lpext.dll?f=templates&amp;fn=main-h.htm&amp;cp=</a>          Fee: \$600</p>
<p><b>VA</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion: reciprocity required.          Virginia Supreme Court Rule 1A:1, 1A:2 and 1A:3  <a href="http://www.vbbe.state.va.us/pdf/MotionRegs_11_24_2008.pdf">http://www.vbbe.state.va.us/pdf/MotionRegs_11_24_2008.pdf</a>          Fee: \$1500</p>

<p><b>WA</b></p>	<p>Idaho and Oregon lawyers can apply for Admission by Motion.          Admission to Practice Rule 18  <a href="http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.display&amp;group=ga&amp;set=APR&amp;ruleid=gaapr18">http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.display&amp;group=ga&amp;set=APR&amp;ruleid=gaapr18</a></p> <p>Fee: \$650</p>
<p><b>WV</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion: reciprocity required.</p> <p>Rules 4.0 to 4.5, West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals Rules for Admission to the Practice of Law in West Virginia  <a href="http://www.state.wv.us/wvsca/Bd%20of%20Law/lawprac.htm#Rule%204.0.%20Admission%20without%20examination">http://www.state.wv.us/wvsca/Bd%20of%20Law/lawprac.htm#Rule%204.0.%20Admission%20without%20examination</a>.</p> <p>Fee: \$1000</p>
<p><b>WI</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion</p> <p>Wisconsin Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 40.05  <a href="http://www.wicourts.gov/sc/rulhear/DisplayDocument.html?content=html&amp;seqNo=35120">http://www.wicourts.gov/sc/rulhear/DisplayDocument.html?content=html&amp;seqNo=35120</a></p> <p>Fee: \$850</p>
<p><b>WY</b></p>	<p>Admission by Motion: reciprocity required.</p> <p>Wyoming Statute 33-5-110 and Rules 301 to 305 of the Wyoming Rules and Procedures Governing Admission to the Practice of Law.  <a href="http://courts.state.wy.us/CourtRules_Entities.aspx?RulesPage=PracticeOfLawAdmission.xml">http://courts.state.wy.us/CourtRules_Entities.aspx?RulesPage=PracticeOfLawAdmission.xml</a></p> <p>Fee: \$200</p>

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