

COMPARISON OF ABA MODEL RULE ON ADMISSION BY MOTION WITH STATE VERSIONS

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			Gov't Agency	In-House Counsel	Law School	Law Judge	Law Clerk				
ABA	Yes	5 of 7 years preceding application	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	None specified	No	No	In-house counsel and law clerks must have practiced in home jurisdiction.
AL	Yes	5 of 6	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$600	Yes	Yes. Must be a permanent resident of the State of Alabama <i>or</i> certify intention to conduct primary practice of law in Alabama.	Home state practice.
AK	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1500	Yes	No	No home state practice required.
AZ	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	None specified	Yes	No	Home state practice. <hr/> Complete a course on Arizona law before being admitted on motion.

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AR	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1500	Yes	No	Home state practice.
CA	No Rule										
CO	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$800	Yes	No	No home state practice required.
CT	No	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1000	Yes	Yes	No home state practice required.
DE	No Rule										
DC	Yes	5 years	Rule does not specify.					\$400	No	No	No home state practice required.
FL	No Rule										
GA	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$500	Yes	No	No home state practice required.
HI	No Rule										
ID	Yes	3 of 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$800	Yes	No	Practice in ID as in-house counsel specifically counts towards 3 of 5 years.

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IL	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$800	Yes	Yes	No home state practice required.
IN	No	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$750	No	Yes	Home state practice required except judge or law professor.
IA	No	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$625	No	No Effective January 19, 2010, intent to practice requirement eliminated.	No home state practice required.
KS	Yes. Rule 704	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1250	Yes	No	Practice must be outside the State of Kansas: except in-house counsel.
KY	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1200	Yes	No	Home state practice required.
LA	No Rule										
ME	Yes	No less than 3 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$600	Yes: rule only applies to lawyers licensed in NH and VT.	No	Home state practice required.
MD	No Rule										

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MA	Yes	5 of 7	N/A	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	\$710	No	No	No home state practice required.
MI	No	3 of 5	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$600	No	Yes	Home state practice required.
MN	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	\$750	No	No	Practice in MN as in-house counsel allowed.
MS	No	Not less than 5 years.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1500	Yes	No	Home state practice required.
MO	Yes	5 of 10	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	\$1240 (After 8-1-09)	Yes	No	Home state practice not required. In-house counsel must not be in MO.
MT	No Rule										
NE	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$700-950	No	No	Home state practice required.
NV	No Rule										
NH	Yes ²	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$675	Yes	No	No home state practice required.
NJ	No Rule										

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NM	No Rule										
NY	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$400	No	No	Home state practice required. Must be in-house counsel in state of licensure.
NC	Yes	4 of 6	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1500	Yes	No	Home state practice required.
ND	Yes	4 of 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$400	No	No	No home state practice required.
OH	Yes	5 of 10	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1250	No	Yes	No home state practice required.
OK	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1500	Yes	No	Practice of law must occur outside the State of Oklahoma.
OR	Yes	5 of 7	No mention.					\$525 plus \$225	Yes	No	No home practice required. Complete 15 hours of Oregon CLE after admission; obtain malpractice insurance.

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PA	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$900	Yes	No	No home state practice required.
RI	Yes	5 of 10	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$550	No	No	No home state practice required. <hr/> Must still take essay portion of bar examination.
SC	No Rule										
SD	Yes	5 years	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	\$450	Yes	No	No home state practice required.
TN	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1000	No	No	No home state practice required.
TX	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$850	No	No	No home state practice required.
UT	Yes	3 of 4	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$625	Yes	No	No home state practice required.

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VT	No	5 of 10	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$600	Yes. New Hampshire lawyers admitted if engaged in the active practice of law for 3 years prior to application.	No	In-house counsel practice where admitted. Have to complete 3 months of study in office and under direction of Vermont lawyer or complete 15 hours of CLE on VT practice & procedure.
VA	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	\$1500	Yes	Yes	Practice where admitted but does not apply to in-house counsel in VA.
WA	No	Varies	N/A					-	Yes	No	Rules of applicant's home jurisdiction apply.
WV	No	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1000	Yes	Minimal basis	No home practice required.
WI	No	3 of 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$850	No	No	In-house counsel in WI can apply.
WY	Yes	5 of 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$200	Yes	No	Cannot have engaged in UPL in WY.

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¹ Applicant must be engaged in the practice of law in the state of primary licensure.

² While the New Hampshire rule does contain a few exceptions (certain applicants from Vermont can qualify under a special rule even if they did not graduate from an ABA-approved law school, and applicants who graduated from a law school in an English-speaking common law country may qualify), it generally provides that applicants must have graduated from an ABA-approved law school. See NH Supreme Court Rule 42(10)(a)(ii); NH Supreme Court Rule 42(11).