

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION**

I, **THE UNDERSIGNED**, hereby make application to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and in support of my application, state that I have been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania on:

\_\_\_\_\_ *Admission Date* \_\_\_\_\_ *Attorney State Bar I.D. #*

and that I am at present a member of the bar of said court in good standing, that I have read and familiarized myself with the Eastern District of Pennsylvania's Local Civil Rule 83.5, that I have satisfied the attorney admission requirements of the said Local Civil Rule 83.5, that I will demean myself as an attorney of this court, uprightly and according to law, and that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States. I agree to furnish the Clerk of Court with any changes to my information listed below.

_____ <i>Applicant's Name - Please Print</i>	_____ <i>Applicant's Signature</i>
	_____ <i>Firm</i>
	_____ <i>Office Address</i>
	_____ <i>City / State / Zip</i>
<b>Sworn to and subscribed before me this</b>	_____ <i>Telephone No.</i>
<b>day of _____, 20_____</b>	_____ <i>Fax No.</i>
_____ <i>Deputy Clerk</i>	_____ <i>Email Address</i>

**MOTION AND CERTIFICATE**

**THE UNDERSIGNED** member of the bar of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania hereby moves the admission of

\_\_\_\_\_ *Print Name*

to practice in said court and certify that I know (or after reasonable inquiry believe) that the applicant is a member of the bar in good standing of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and that the applicant's private and professional character is good.

<b>Admitted:</b> _____, 20_____	_____ <i>Sponsor's Name - Please Print</i>
<b>Before</b> _____, J.	_____ <i>Signature</i>
_____ <i>Deputy Clerk</i>	_____ <i>Firm</i>
	_____ <i>Office Address</i>
	_____ <i>City / State / Zip</i>
	_____ <i>Telephone No.</i>
	_____ <i>Fax No.</i>
	_____ <i>Email Address</i>

### Rule 83.5 - Admission to Practice

- (a) Any attorney who is a member in good standing of the bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania may, by a verified application and upon motion of a member of the bar of this Court, make application to be admitted generally as an attorney of the Court. A fee established by this court shall be assessed for all such admissions. No admission shall be effective until such time as the fee has been paid.
- (b) The petition for admission shall aver, under oath, all pertinent facts. The Court may admit the petitioner upon such petition and motion or may require that the petitioner offer satisfactory evidence of present good moral and professional character.
- (c) Upon admission the petitioner shall take and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation: "I do swear (or affirm) that I will demean myself as an attorney of this Court uprightly and accordingly to law and that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States."
- (d) Upon appropriate motion and the taking of the oath prescribed in subparagraph (c), any attorney admitted to the limited practice provided by Subchapter C of the Pennsylvania Bar Admission Rules may be admitted to a similar limited practice before this court as to all causes in which the defender association or legal services program with which that attorney is affiliated acts as counsel.
  - 1. The right to practice under this rule shall terminate upon termination of admission to practice under Subchapter C of the Pennsylvania Bar Admission Rules.
  - 2. The roll of attorneys maintained by the Clerk of this Court shall be specially noted to show those admitted under the provisions of this subparagraph.
- (e) Any attorney who is a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of any state, territory, or the District of Columbia may, without being admitted generally as an attorney of this Court, act as an attorney in this Court on behalf of the United States Government or any of its departments or agencies.
- (f) **An attorney applying for first-time admission to the bar of this court must simultaneously inform the court of any previous public discipline by any other court of the United States or the District of Columbia, or by a court of any state, territory, commonwealth or possession of the United States and of any conviction for a "serious crime" as defined in these rules\*.**

Petitions for first-time admission filed by an attorney who has previously been publicly disciplined by another court or convicted of a serious crime shall be filed with the Chief Judge of this court. Upon receipt of the petition, the Chief Judge shall assign the matter for prompt hearing before one or more judges of this court appointed by the Chief Judge. The judge or judges assigned to the matter shall thereafter schedule a hearing at which the petitioner shall have the burden of demonstrating, by clear and convincing evidence, that the petitioner has the moral qualifications, competency and learning in the law required for admission to practice law before this court, and that the petitioner's admission shall not be detrimental to the integrity and standing of the bar or to the administration of justice, or subversive of the public interest.

In all the above-described proceedings, the attorney applying for first-time admission shall have the right to counsel. All such petitions shall be accompanied by an advance cost deposit in an amount to be set by the court, from time to time, to cover anticipated costs of the proceeding.

- (g) The judge or judges to whom a matter is assigned under Local Rule 83.5(f) shall make a report and recommendation to the court after a hearing. The court shall decide the matter.

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#### \* Rule I - Attorneys Convicted of Crimes.

B. The term "serious crime" shall include any felony and any lesser crime a necessary element of which, as determined by the statutory or common law definition of such crime in the jurisdiction where the judgment was entered, involves false swearing, misrepresentations, fraud, willful failure to file income tax returns, deceit, bribery, extortion, misappropriation, theft, or an attempt or a conspiracy or solicitation of another to commit a "serious crime".