## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA May 8, 2020

## 19-20/094 In re: July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination

## ORDER

The Court having considered the COVID-19 pandemic, and its potential impact on applicants for the July 2020 administration of the Alabama Bar Exam,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Alabama State Bar comply with any public health restrictions in place on the dates of administration of the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination, and take any other necessary precautions during administration of the exam;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any individual who has applied for the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination in accordance with Rule II.C or Rule II.E of the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar (hereafter "applicant" or "applicants") shall be eligible for the following temporary exceptions to the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar:

- 1. Applicants shall have the opportunity to postpone their July 2020 application to the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination. Any such postponement must be made in accordance with procedures set forth in Rule II.F of the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar, provided that no postponement fee and required applicants who postponed application from the February 2020 Alabama Bar Examination eligible for are an additional postponement;
- 2. An applicant who has earned an acceptable transfer or carry over score in accordance with Rules VI(B).C(2)-(4) of the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar, may elect to use the score for either the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination or the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination, provided that the score is not outdated prior to the July 2020 Alabama Bar

Examination. Any transferred or carried over score that is used for the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination and becomes outdated prior to the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination shall be deemed unacceptable for the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination;

3. An applicant who has earned an acceptable Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE) score in accordance with Rule VI(B).E of the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar, shall be permitted to use the score for either the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination or the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination, provided that the score is not outdated prior to the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination. Any MPRE score that is used for the July 2020 Alabama Bar Examination and becomes outdated prior to the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination shall be deemed unacceptable for the February 2021 Alabama Bar Examination;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicants shall be eligible to participate as student interns, as defined by the Alabama Rule for Legal Internship by Law Students, by satisfying all requirements of said rule, with the following temporary exceptions:

- 1. Applicants shall not be required to satisfy the law student registration requirement of Rule I.A of the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar;
- 2. An applicant shall be permitted to participate as a student intern until the earlier of: (1) the applicant's date of admission to the Alabama State Bar; or (2) the date of release of results of the February 2021 bar exam.

Parker, C.J., and Bolin, Shaw, Wise, Bryan, Sellers, Mendheim, Stewart, and Mitchell, JJ., concur.

Witness my hand this 8th day of May, 2020.

Julia Jordan Willer

Clerk, Supreme Court of Alabama

FILED

May 8, 2020

9:30 am

Clerk

Supreme Court of Alabama