

CHARACTER AND FITNESS COMMITTEE
PURPOSE AND SCOPE

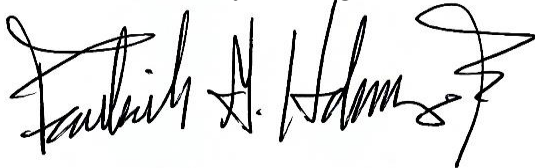
The Committee on Character and Fitness of the Alabama State Bar is to examine, evaluate, and decide as to the character and fitness of all applicants seeking admission to the Alabama State Bar.

The Committee on Character and Fitness may be divided into as many panels as may be necessary to carry out the duties of the committee. Each panel of the Committee on Character and Fitness shall be composed of three lawyers, one of which shall be designated as the chair of the panel. The chair and members of each panel are appointed by the president of the Alabama State Bar.

For purposes of considering the development of guidelines and standards for use in evaluating applicants, the panels should serve as a committee as a whole and this committee should be convened by the president of the Alabama State Bar.

Each panel should meet at the call of its chairperson or at the request of the executive director of the Alabama State Bar. Each panel should utilize the services of a reporter to record the proceedings at any meeting. Transcription of the proceedings should be made at the direction of the chairperson or at the request of the applicant. The party directing or requesting the transcription should bear the cost of the same. The original of all transcription or proceedings before the panels should be filed with the executive director of the Alabama State Bar no later than 14 days after the meeting.

Done this 26th day of August, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frederick G. Helmsing, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Frederick G. Helmsing, Jr. President
Alabama State Bar