

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SUPREME COURT
RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO**

The following amendments to the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio (Gov. Bar R. I, Section 14; Gov. Bar R. VI, Section 14; and Gov. Bar R. XII, Section 7) were adopted by the Supreme Court of Ohio. The history of these amendments is as follows:

May 21, 2019	Final adoption by conference
July 1, 2019	Effective date of amendments

Key to Adopted Amendments:

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3. New language that has been added appears in underline. Example: text

SUPREME COURT RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO

RULE I. ADMISSION TO THE PRACTICE OF LAW

[Existing language unaffected by the amendments is omitted to conserve space]

Section 14. Admissions ~~Fund~~ Fees.

(A) The fees collected under this rule, the fees charged and collected by the Court for admissions-related services, and the fees collected under Rules II, IX, XI, and XII of the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar shall ~~constitute~~ be deposited in the Admissions Attorney Services Fund. All application fees assessed under this rule and Gov. Bar R. II, IX, XI, and XII shall be nonrefundable and payable to the Supreme Court of Ohio in the methods specified by certified check or money order ~~the Director of Attorney Services~~.

(B) ~~The Admissions Fund shall be used for matters approved by the Court and relating to the admission of applicants to the practice of law or relating to the certification of Foreign Legal Consultants, and for the administration and operation of all of the following:~~

~~(1) The Board of Bar Examiners;~~

~~(2) The Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, including the fees and expenses of special investigators appointed by the Board under Section 10(B)(2)(f) of this rule;~~

~~(3) The admissions committees, provided, however, that such use of the Admissions Fund shall be limited to reimbursing admissions committees for costs incurred in conducting investigations under Section 11 of this rule.~~

~~(C) Parties shall bear their own costs in proceedings brought under Section 12 of this rule before the Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness and the Court.~~

~~(D) In addition to the purposes set forth in division (B) of this section, moneys in the Admissions Fund may be placed in the custody of the Treasurer of State pursuant to division (B) of section 113.05 of the Revised Code or transferred to the credit of the Supreme Court Admissions Fund in the state treasury. Investment earnings on moneys placed in the custody of the Treasurer shall be credited to the custodial account and investment earnings on moneys transferred to the Supreme Court Admissions Fund in the state treasury shall be credited to that Fund.~~

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[Effective: February 28, 1972; amended effective October 30, 1972; November 27, 1972; March 19, 1973; November 12, 1973; March 1, 1974; July 8, 1974; April 26, 1976; January 24, 1977; March 9, 1977; August 1, 1977; January 1, 1982; March 9, 1983; July 1, 1983; May 7, 1984; May 28, 1984; December 31, 1984; April 1, 1987; May 6, 1987; January 1, 1989; July 1, 1989; January 1, 1991; February 1, 1991; October 1, 1991; February 1, 1992; May 1, 1992; July 1, 1992; August 1, 1992; January 1, 1993; September 15, 1993; January 1, 1995; May 1, 1997; August 3, 1998;

June 1, 2000; October 1, 2000; February 1, 2003; October 1, 2003; February 1, 2007; May 1, 2007; October 1, 2007; January 1, 2008; February 1, 2009; August 1, 2010; January 1, 2013; January 1, 2014, July 1, 2014; January 1, 2015; January 1, 2017; July 1, 2017; July 1, 2019.]

RULE VI. REGISTRATION OF ATTORNEYS

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Section 14. Attorney Services Fund.

(A) Collection and use of fees

Except as otherwise provided in these rules, all fees collected pursuant to these rules shall be deposited in the Attorney Services Fund. Moneys in the fund shall be used for the following purposes:

- (1) The investigation of complaints of alleged misconduct pursuant to Gov. Bar R. V or Gov.Jud.R. II and the investigation of the alleged unauthorized practice of law pursuant to Gov. Bar R. VII;
- (2) To support the activities of the ~~Lawyer's~~ Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection established under Gov. Bar R. VIII;
- (3) To support the activities of the Commission on Continuing Legal Education pursuant to Gov. Bar R. X;
- (4) For matters approved by the Court and relating to the admission of applicants to the practice of law or relating to the certification of Foreign Legal Consultants and for the administration and operation of all of the following:
 - (a) The Board of Bar Examiners;
 - (b) The Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, including the fees and expenses of special investigators appointed by the Board under Gov. Bar R. I, Sec. 10(B)(2)(f);
 - (c) The admissions committees, provided, however, that such use of the funds shall be limited to reimbursing admissions committees for costs incurred in conducting investigations under Gov. Bar R. I, Sec. 11.
- (5) Any other purposes considered necessary by the Supreme Court for the government of the bar and of the judiciary of Ohio;

~~(5)~~(6) To support any other activities related to the administration of justice considered necessary by the Supreme Court.

(B) Transfer of funds to Treasurer of State

In addition to the purposes set forth in division (A) of this section, moneys in the Attorney Services Fund may be placed in the custody of the Treasurer of State pursuant to R.C. ~~413.05(B)~~ or transferred to the credit of the Supreme Court Attorney Services Fund in the state treasury. Investment earnings on moneys placed in the custody of the Treasurer shall be credited to the custodial account and investment earnings on moneys transferred to the Supreme Court Attorney Services Fund in the state treasury shall be credited to that fund.

(C) Annual Report

On or before the first day of November each year, the Administrative Director of the Supreme Court shall prepare and publish a report on the activity of the Attorney Services Fund.

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[Not analogous to former Rule VI, effective February 28, 1972; amended effective January 1, 1981; November 17, 1982; July 1, 1983; May 13, 1985; July 1, 1986; January 1, 1989; July 1, 1991; September 1, 1991; January 1, 1992; July 1, 1992; July 1, 1993; January 1, 1995; July 1, 1995; November 1, 1995; July 1, 1997; July 1, 1999; November 28, 2000; June 1, 2002; August 19, 2002; November 1, 2002; July 1, 2003; July 1, 2005, September 1, 2005; July 1, 2007; September 1, 2007; January 1, 2008; May 1, 2009; September 1, 2010; January 1, 2012; January 1, 2013; November 1, 2013; January 1, 2015; April 1, 2015; December 1, 2015; July 1, 2016; September 15, 2016; November 1, 2017; November 1, 2018; July 1, 2019.]

RULE XII. PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION

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Section 7. ~~Admissions Fund~~ Deposit of Registration Fee

Payment of the registration fee shall be deposited in the ~~Admissions~~ Attorney Services Fund established under Gov. Bar R. I, ~~Section 14(A)~~ VI, Sec. 14.

[Effective: January 1, 2011; January 1, 2013; January 1, 2014; July 1, 2016; January 1, 2017; July 1, 2017; July 1, 2019.]

RULE XX. TITLE AND EFFECTIVE DATES

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Section 2. Effective Dates.

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(NNNNN) The amendments to Gov. Bar R. I, Section 14; Gov. Bar R. VI, Section 14; and Gov. Bar R. XII, Section 7, adopted by the Supreme Court on May 21, 2019, shall take effect on July 1, 2019.