District of Columbia Court of Appeals

M-219-04

BEFORE: Wagner, Chief Judge; Terry, Schwelb, Farrell, Ruiz, Reid, Glickman, and Washington, Associate Judges.

ORDER

On consideration of the proposed amendments to D.C. App. R. 46 pertaining to the admission to the Bar of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, which were transmitted by letter dated September 16, 2004, to the Court by the Chairman, Committee on Admissions, and there appearing to be no comments thereto, it is

ORDERED that D.C. App. Rule 46 is amended, effective February 4, 2005, to read as follows:

Rule 46 (a) (last sentence) No member shall be appointed to serve longer than two consecutive regular three-year terms, unless an exception is made by the court.

Rule 46 (b)(1) Number and dates of examination. Examinations for admission to the Bar shall be held on two successive days in February and July of each year in Washington, D.C., at a place and on the dates designated by the Committee. The Committee may extend the days for examination for an applicant upon good cause having been demonstrated to the Committee pursuant to a request for testing accommodations.

Rule 46 (b)(8)(i)(iv) (first sentence) Each day of the examination shall require six hours writing time unless modified by the Committee for an applicant pursuant to a request for testing accommodations.

Rule 46 (b)(4) Law Study in Law School Not Approved by the ABA. An applicant who graduated from a law school not approved by the American Bar Association shall be permitted to take the bar examination only after successfully completing at least 26 semester hours of study in the subjects tested in the bar examination in a law school that at the time of such study was approved by the American Bar Association. All such 26 semester hours shall be earned in courses of study, each of which is substantially concentrated on a single tested subject.

Rule 46 (b)(2)(i) Time to Apply and Fees. (i) An application to take the bar examination shall be typewritten and submitted on a form approved by the Committee and filed

with the Director of Admissions (hereafter Director) not later than December 15 for the February examination and May 3 for the July examination unless, for exceptional cause shown, the time is extended by the Committee. The contents of the application to take the examination shall be confidential except upon order of the court.

FOR THE COURT:

GARLAND PINKSTON, JR. Clerk of the Court