

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
ORDER NO. 1924

Amending Alaska Bar Rule 5 to provide
a plain English oath.

IT IS ORDERED:

Bar Rule 5, Section 3 is amended to read as follows:

Rule 5. Requirements for Admission to the Practice of Law.

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Section 3. Upon receiving certification of the eligibility of an applicant, any state or federal judicial officer may enter an order admitting the applicant as an attorney at law in all the courts of the state and to membership in the Alaska Bar Association. Each applicant ordered admitted to the practice of law shall take the following oath before any state or federal judicial officer:

I do swear or affirm:

I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alaska;

~~I will adhere to the Rules of Professional Conduct in my dealings with clients, judicial officers, attorneys, and all other persons;~~

I will ~~maintain the respect due to~~ courts of justice and judicial officers;

I will always be truthful and honorable in my practice of law;

I will not aid anyone in formulating or pursuing claims or defenses that are asserted in bad faith or are unfounded in fact or ~~lawcounsel or maintain any proceedings that I believe are taken in bad~~

~~faith or any defense that I do not believe is honestly debatable under the law of the land;~~

~~I will be truthful and honorable in the causes entrusted to me, and will never seek to mislead the a judge, a or jury, or another attorney by false statement or trickery by an artifice or false statement of fact or law;~~

~~I will maintain the confidences and preserve inviolate the secrets of my client, and will not accept compensation in connection with my client's business except from my client or with my client's knowledge or approval;~~

~~I will be candid, fair, and courteous ~~before the~~ to courts, attorneys, parties, and witnesses and will advance no fact prejudicial to the honor or reputation of a party or witness unless I am required to do so in order to obtain justice for my client;~~

~~I will ~~uphold~~ not attack the honor or reputation of any person unless I am required to do so in order to obtain justice for my client, and maintain the dignity of the profession, and will strive to improve both the law and the administration of justice.;~~

~~Except as authorized or required by the Rules of Professional Conduct, I will preserve the secrets of my clients, and I will not engage in conduct that might impair my loyalty to a client;~~

~~I will uphold the honor and dignity of the legal profession;~~

~~And I will strive to improve both the law and the administration of justice.~~

A certificate of admission shall thereupon be issued to the applicant by the clerk of the court.

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DATED: June 26, 2018

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 15, 2018

/S/
Chief Justice Stowers

/S/
Justice Winfree

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Justice Maassen

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Justice Bolger

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Justice Carney