At its meeting on July 8, 2016, the Connecticut Bar Examining Committee adopted the following revisions to its Regulations. These revisions were published in the Connecticut Law Journal on July 26, 2016 and **become effective October 24, 2016**. Additions are signified by underlining; deletions are signified by strikeout. As Article X was previously amended and published in the June 7, 2016 issue of the Law Journal with an effective date of September 5, 2016, the current amendment to Article X reflects those previous amendments.

## ARTICLE II.

## LAW STUDY

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**Article II-2.** All applicants must receive a <u>Juris Doctor or equivalent</u> law degree from an approved law school not less than seven (7) days prior to the date of the examination for which the applicant has filed his or her application and proof of receipt of that degree must be received in the Office of the Administrative Director not less than seven (7) days prior to said examination.

Article II-3. An applicant who has studied in a foreign country may qualify to apply for admission by submitting to the Committee satisfactory proof of the legal education required by all subsections of this article.

(A) The applicant shall show successful completion of the educational requirements for admission to the practice of law in a country other than the United States by:

(i) successful completion of a period of study in a law school or schools each of which, throughout the period of the applicant's study therein, was approved by the government or an authorized accrediting body in such country, or of a political subdivision thereof, to award a first degree in law as evidenced by the report in (C)(i) of this article.

- (ii) said program of study must be substantially equivalent in duration to the legal education provided by an American Bar Association approved law school in the United States.
- (B) The applicant shall show successful completion of an LL.M. degree program at an American Bar Association or Committee approved law school in the United States meeting the following requirements:
- (i) The program shall consist of a minimum of 24 credit hours (or the equivalent there of, if the law school is on an academic schedule other than a conventional semester system) which, except as otherwise permitted herein, shall be in classroom courses at the law school in substantive and procedural law and professional skills;
- (ii) all coursework for the program shall be completed at the campus of an approved law school in the United States, except as otherwise expressly permitted in this section;
  - (iii) The program completed by the applicant shall include:
    - (a) a minimum of two credit hours in a course or courses in professional responsibility;
- (b) a minimum of two credit hours in legal research, writing and analysis, which may not be satisfied by a research and writing requirement in a substantive law course;
- (c) a minimum of two credit hours in American legal studies, the American legal system or a similar course designed to introduce students to distinctive aspects and/or fundamental principles of United States law, which may be satisfied by a course in United States constitutional law or Federal or

state civil procedure; credit earned in such course in excess of the required two credit hours may be applied in satisfaction of the requirements set forth in subsection (B)(iii)(d); and

- (d) a minimum of six credit hours in other courses that principally focus on subject matter tested on the Connecticut bar examination as set forth in Article V-4.
- (e) The program completed by the applicant may include a maximum of four credit hours in clinical courses or externships, provided that the time and effort required and anticipated educational benefit are commensurate with the credit rewarded and
- (1) the clinical course or externship includes a classroom instructional component in order to ensure contemporaneous discussion, review and evaluation of the clinical experience or externship; or
- (2) the clinical work or externship is done under the direct supervision of a member of the law school faculty.
- (C) Petitions for determination on foreign education shall be in writing on a form prescribed by the Committee and shall be filed, together with such attachments as the Committee may require, with the administrative director. An applicant must receive approval of his or her petition for determination on foreign education prior to filing an application for admission by examination, an application for admission by UBE score transfer, or an application for admission without examination. Applicants wishing to apply for admission by examination shall file a complete petition for determination on foreign education no later than 01 March for a July examination and no later than 01 October for a February examination. Incomplete petitions will not be considered. To be considered complete, a petition for determination on foreign education must be filed together with the following documentation:
- (i) A course by course education evaluation report acceptable to the Committee for every foreign law school attended;
  - (ii) Official, final transcripts from all foreign undergraduate and foreign law schools attended;
- (iii) Copies of all diplomas or degree certificates from all foreign undergraduate and foreign law schools;
- (iv) Official transcript from the law school at which the applicant is currently enrolled in an LL.M. program or a statement from the applicant indicating that he or she is not currently enrolled in such a program; and
- (v) The fee prescribed by Article X-14. Applicants who receive approval of their petition for determination on foreign education may apply for admission by examination, admission by UBE score transfer, or admission without examination for the standard application fee.

The Committee shall notify the applicant of its decision in writing.

- (D) Upon the Committee's approval of the petition for determination on foreign education, an application for admission may be filed. Applicants for admission by examination must provide the following directly from the LL.M. degree granting law school no later than 01 July for a July exam and no later than 01 February for a February examination:
- (i) Official, final transcript from the LL.M. degree granting law school setting forth the date the degree was conferred and all courses taken; and
  - (ii) Copies of official course descriptions for all courses taken at the LL.M. degree granting school.

## ARTICLE X

## SCHEDULE OF FEES

**Article X.** The following shall be the fees in connection with applications for admission to the bar:

- (1) The application fee for admission by examination: \$750
- (2) The application fee for admission by UBE score transfer: \$750
- (3) Application fee for admission without examination: \$1,800
- (4) Investigation under Sec. 2-8(8): \$50
- (5) Copy of prior examination questions: \$15
- (6) Copy of prior examination answers (includes questions): \$35
- (7) Copy of applicant's application for admission by examination: \$15
- (8) Copy of applicant's exam answers: \$20
- (9) Transmittal of applicant's MBE score to another jurisdiction: \$25
- (10) Replacement of examination scores and information: \$15
- (11) Replacement of admission certificate: \$20
- (12) Application fee for foreign legal consultant: \$500
- (13) Application fee for registration as authorized house counsel: \$1000
- (14) Petition for determination on foreign education: \$500

All fees must be made payable to the Connecticut Bar Examining Committee by certified check or money order; personal checks are not accepted.