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2023 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES

Wisconsin Supreme Court Rule 40.06 (3m) requires diploma privilege admission candidates to file an Application for a Character and Fitness Certification with the Board of Bar Examiners. The 2023 Information and Filing Instructions and Electronic Application are scheduled to be available the morning of October 3, 2022 on our website at www.wicourts.gov/services/attorney/bar.htm.

The Board of Bar Examiner's Character & Fitness Investigator will be available to answer questions about the application process in Rooms 3216 &/or 3268 on **Tuesday, October 18th, 2022**, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. However, feel free to contact the BBE via email or telephone anytime during regular business hours with any questions about the application or the Supreme Court rules that govern the process.

FILING DATES, DEADLINES, AND FEES:

It is to your advantage to file your application as early as possible in order to avoid late fees. Applications submitted to the BBE after the final deadlines noted below will not be accepted and Wisconsin law school graduates will be required to write and pass the Wisconsin Bar Examination in order to be eligible for admission to the practice of law in Wisconsin.

NOTE: An application is considered **"Filed"** when all three of the following items have been received:

1. Application Form (BE-001)
2. Authorization and Release form (BE-002)
3. Filing Fee (See fees below)

May 2023 Graduates

- \$210 if application is filed by December 15, 2022.
\$410 if application is filed from December 16, 2022 until July 1, 2023.

August 2023 Graduates

- \$210 if application is filed by March 15, 2023.
\$410 if application is filed from March 16, 2023 until October 1, 2023.

December 2023 Graduates

- \$210 if application is filed by July 15, 2023.
\$410 if application is filed from July 16, 2023 until February 1, 2024.

Note that you must file your application no later than the final deadline listed above or you may lose your diploma privilege.

PROCESSING & COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION WILL TAKE, ON AVERAGE, THREE TO SIX MONTHS. Timely filing of your Application will allow you ample time to complete your file which will enable you to participate in the large-group swearing-in ceremony, if applicable.

May Graduates Only: To be considered for the group swearing-in ceremony, tentatively scheduled for May 30, 2023, applicant files **MUST** be deemed complete by BBE staff by May 12, 2023.