

- (4) raw scores or grader comments; and
 - (5) the name and contact information of any grader who is not a Board member; and
- (b) except as provided by Rule 15, moral character and fitness records and deliberations, including:
- (1) Declarations and Applications, including attachments;
 - (2) any documents resulting from the Board's moral character and fitness investigation of an Applicant; and
 - (3) minutes or recordings of Board meetings or hearings on an Applicant's moral character and fitness.

Rule 8

Determination of Declarant Character and Fitness

- (a) After completing its investigation, the Board shall determine whether, on all the documentation before it, the Board is satisfied that the Declarant possesses the good moral character and fitness necessary for admission to the Bar and shall advise the Declarant accordingly, no later than the 270th day after the date the Declaration and fees were filed with the Board. If the determination is that the Declarant does not have the requisite good moral character and fitness, such notice shall include:
- (1) a detailed analysis of the results of the investigation; and
 - (2) an objective list of actions, if any, which the Declarant may take to correct the deficiencies and to become qualified for admission to the Bar after completing all other requirements for admission.
- (b) A hearing may be set on any such adverse preliminary determination, in accordance with Rule 15.
- (c) If, after investigation, the Board determines that a Declarant:
- (1) may suffer from chemical dependency, the Board shall direct the Declarant to meet with representatives of the Bar's Lawyers Assistance Program or a similar program of the Bar, and may require that the Declarant submit to a treatment facility for evaluation.
 - (2) does suffer from chemical dependency, the Board shall assist the Declarant in working with the Bar's Lawyers Assistance Program or a similar program of the Bar to address the dependency.
- (d) Any preliminary determination that the Declarant possesses the good moral character and fitness necessary for admission to the Bar is issued on the condition

that the Declarant has faithfully complied with these Rules. If at any time before the Declarant is certified to the Supreme Court for licensure it appears that the Declarant obtained such preliminary determination via fraud, concealment, deception, material omission, or by failure to comply with these Rules, the Board may suspend such preliminary determination and continue its investigation for an additional 90 days from the date the Board discovers the apparent fraud, concealment, deception, material omission, or failure to comply with these Rules.

Rule 9

Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination

(a) Except as provided in (f), every Applicant to take the Texas Bar Examination must file with the Board an Application with all required fees by the deadlines stated below.

(1) February Texas Bar Examination.

- (A) *Timely Filing Deadline for Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination.* The timely filing deadline is September 1.
- (B) *Late Filing Deadline for Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination.* If accompanied by a \$150 late filing fee, the Board will accept an Application filed after September 1 and by November 1.
- (C) *Application for Testing Accommodations.* An application for testing accommodations must be filed with the Application to take the Texas Bar Examination, but no later than November 1.
- (D) *Final Filing Deadline for Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination.* If accompanied by a \$300 late fee, the Board will accept an Application submitted by December 1. The Board will not accept an Application for the February Texas Bar Examination after December 1 for any reason.

(2) July Texas Bar Examination.

- (A) *Timely Filing Deadline for Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination.* The timely filing deadline is February 1.
- (B) *Late Filing Deadline for Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination.* If accompanied by a \$150 late filing fee, the Board will accept an Application filed after February 1 and by April 1.
- (C) *Application for Testing Accommodations.* An application for testing accommodations must be filed with the Application to take the Texas Bar Examination, but no later than April 1.
- (D) *Final Filing Deadline for Application to Take the Texas Bar Examination.* If accompanied by a \$300 late fee, the Board will accept an Application