

- (g) The Board may delegate its duties to a panel of the Board or to the staff, as necessary and where not prohibited by law; provided, however, that the Board shall not delegate to staff its authority to make final determinations that an Applicant or Declarant lacks the requisite good moral character and fitness.
- (h) The Supreme Court hereby establishes the Board of Law Examiners Fund, into which shall be deposited all fees and monies received and interest earned by the Board and which shall be used by the Board to administer the functions of the Supreme Court and the Board relating to the licensing of lawyers as directed by the Court. The Fund shall be maintained in one or more financial institutions in Texas, as designated by the Board.
- (i) The Board shall have full power to contract for the performance of all of its functions, and any person dealing or contracting with the Board shall be conclusively entitled to rely upon the Board's written determination that the expense thus incurred or contracted is for a proper function of the Board.
- (j) The disbursement of funds shall be according to such rules, regulations and budgets as the Board may adopt. The Board shall keep a full record of such receipts and disbursements.

Rule 21

Civil Immunity

Without limiting, restricting, or waiving any privilege or immunity otherwise available under Texas or federal law:

- (a) The Board and its members, employees, and agents are immune from all civil liability for damages for conduct and communications occurring in the performance of and within the scope of their official duties relating to the character and fitness qualification, eligibility, examination, monitoring, and licensing of Declarants, Applicants and Probationary Licensees.
- (b) Records, statements of opinion, and other information regarding a Declarant, Applicant, or Probationary Licensee communicated without malice to the Board or to its members, employees, or agents by any person, entity, firm, or institution are privileged, and civil suits for damages predicated thereon are barred.