### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE

### EASTERN AND WESTERN DISTRICTS OF KENTUCKY

JOINT GENERAL ORDER NO.  $\frac{2008 \cdot 03}{2008 \cdot 02}$  E.D. Ky. JOINT GENERAL ORDER NO.  $\frac{2008 \cdot 03}{2008 \cdot 02}$  W.D. Ky.

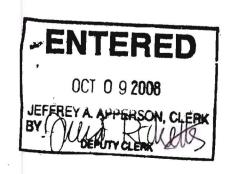
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Pursuant to LR 83.14 of the Joint Local Rules of the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, and pursuant to the authority granted by Rule 83, F.R.Civ.P., and upon recommendation of the Joint Local Rules Commission, the Judges of the Eastern and Western Districts hereby ORDER that the following amendments be made to the Joint Local Rules:

1. A Subsection (5) is added to Subsection (b) of LR 83.1 and LCrR 57.1, with the revised LR 83.1 and LCrR 57.1 to read as follows (revisions in bold).

## LR 83.1 Attorney Admission to Practice

- (a) Applicant Eligibility. An attorney may apply for admission to the Bar of the Court if:
  - (1) The attorney has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Kentucky;
  - (2) The attorney is in good standing with the Supreme Court of Kentucky; and
  - (3) The attorney is of good moral and professional character.
- (b) Admission Procedure. An applicant must provide the Clerk with the following:
  - (1) an Application for Admission;
  - (2) an Authorization and Release;
  - (3) an affidavit of sponsorship signed by a member of the bar;
  - (4) the prescribed fee; and
  - (5) a statement identifying the method of training completed before use of the Court's electronic filing system.



- (c) Admission. After the Court grants the attorney's application, the applicant may be admitted by mail or by appointment in open court.
  - (1) Admission by Mail. Upon request, the Clerk will promptly mail a Certificate of Admission to the applicant.
  - (2) Admission in Open Court. Upon request, the Clerk will arrange for a hearing at which time the sponsor will move to admit the applicant. The presiding judge will administer the attorney's oath or affirmation in open court.

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## LCrR 57.1 Attorney Admission to Practice

- (a) Applicant Eligibility. An attorney may apply for admission to the Bar of the Court if:
  - (1) The attorney has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Kentucky;
  - (2) The attorney is in good standing with the Supreme Court of Kentucky; and
  - (3) The attorney is of good moral and professional character.
- (b) Admission Procedure. An applicant must provide the Clerk with the following: an Application for Admission;
  - (1) an Application for Admission;
  - (2) an Authorization and Release;
  - (3) an affidavit of sponsorship signed by a member of the bar;
  - (4) the prescribed fee; and

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- (5) a statement identifying the method of training completed before use of the Court's electronic filing system.
- (c) Admission. After the Court grants the attorney's application, the applicant may be admitted by mail or by appointment in open court.
  - (1) Admission by Mail. Upon request, the Clerk will promptly mail a Certificate of Admission to the applicant.
  - (2) Admission in Open Court. Upon request, the Clerk will arrange for a hearing at which time the sponsor will move to admit the applicant. The presiding judge will administer the attorney's oath or affirmation in open court.

A new Subsection (1) is added to Subsection (a) to LR 83.2 and LCrR 57.2 to read as below. The asterisk and footnote at the heading of these current rules shall be stricken. A new Subsection (5) is also added to Subsection (a), along with a new Subsection (b), making the current Subsection (b) be re-lettered as Subsection (c). The newly revised LR 83.2 and LCrR 57.2 are set out below (revisions in bold).

### LR 83.2 Permission to Practice in a Particular Case

- (a) Procedure. An attorney who has not been admitted to the Bar of the Court but who is in good standing in the Bar of any state, territory, or the District of Columbia may request permission to practice in a particular case by filing the following with the Clerk:
  - (1) a separate motion for admission *pro hac vice* for each attorney;
  - an affidavit identifying the Bar in which the attorney is a member in good standing;
  - (3) the prescribed fee;
  - (4) a written consent to be subject to the jurisdiction and rules of the Kentucky Supreme Court governing professional conduct; and
  - (5) a statement identifying the method of training completed before use of the Court's electronic filing system.
- (b) The Attorney General or any other bar member of the Department of Justice, or of any federal agency, including federal public defenders or panel attorneys that cross district lines, need not seek admission pro hac vice under this rule.
- (c) Sanctions. Nothing in this rule detracts from the Court's power to sanction unprofessional conduct.

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# LCrR 57.2 Permission to Practice in a Particular Case

(a) Procedure. An attorney who has not been admitted to the Bar of the Court – but who is in good standing in the Bar of any state, territory, or the District of Columbia – may request permission to practice in a particular case by filing the following with the Clerk:

- (1) a separate motion for admission *pro hac vice* for each attorney;
- (2) an affidavit identifying the Bar in which the attorney is a member in good standing;
- (3) the prescribed fee;
- (4) a written consent to be subject to the jurisdiction and rules of the Kentucky Supreme Court governing professional conduct; and
- (5) a statement identifying the method of training completed before use of the Court's electronic filing system.
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- (c) Sanctions. Nothing in this rule detracts from the Court's power to sanction unprofessional conduct.

The changes reflected in this Joint General Order shall be incorporated into the Courts' Joint Local Rules published on the Courts' respective websites. Copies of this Order shall be made available to the various publishing companies that publish the Joint Local Rules of the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky and to the public upon request. The changes noted in this Order shall take effect upon entry of this Order.

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