

Supreme Court of Misconsin

OFFICE OF COURT COMMISSIONERS

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March 28, 2012

To: Interested Parties - See Attached List

Re: Supreme Court Rule Petition 11-08, <u>In the matter of the petition to amend Supreme Court Rule 40.02(2)</u> and to create Supreme Court Rules 40.055 and 40.14(3)(i) relating to the <u>legal competence requirements of graduates of law schools in other nations; fees.</u>

Greetings:

I am assisting the Wisconsin Supreme Court with its consideration of rule petition 11-08 filed by the Board of Bar Examiners. The petition requests the court amend Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 40.02(2) and create SCRs 40.055 and 40.14(3)(i) to permit eligible graduates of law schools from other nations to sit for the Wisconsin bar examination. You have received this letter because you or your agency or organization has been identified as potentially having an interest in this matter. A copy of the petition can be found at the court's Web site at http://wicourts.gov/scrules/pending.htm.

Consistent with standard practice, the court has scheduled and will conduct a public hearing and an open administrative conference on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to discuss this matter further.

Any comment to the rule petition should be filed by April 27, 2012, with the Clerk of Supreme Court, Attention: Carrie Janto, Deputy Clerk, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688. If possible, e-mail a Microsoft Word version of your response to carrie.janto@wicourts.gov or clerk@wicourts.gov. See comment guidelines at the court's Web site at http://wicourts.gov/scrules/petitioncomment.htm. The petitioner shall file any response to the comments received on or before May 7, 2012.

If you are interested in appearing in person at the public hearing please notify Carrie Janto, Deputy Clerk, by May 7, 2012, at carrie.janto@wicourts.gov or 608-261-4302.

You might wish to consult the court's Web site at http://wicourts.gov/scrules/supreme.htm to follow this rule petition. Court communications on the petition and any written comments filed with the clerk's office will be posted on the Web site.

If you have specific questions or other comments regarding this matter, please contact Susan Gray, c/o Office of the Director of State Courts, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688 (telephone: 608-266-6708) (email: susan.gray@wicourts.gov).

Very truly yours,
/s/
Julie Anne Rich
Supreme Court Commissioner

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cc: Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson
Justice Ann Walsh Bradley
Justice N. Patrick Crooks
Justice David T. Prosser, Jr.
Justice Patience Drake Roggensack
Justice Annette Kingsland Ziegler
Justice Michael J. Gableman
Board of Bar Examiners

List of Interested Parties for Supreme Court Rules Matters

Chief Circuit Court Judges

Circuit Court Judges

Court of Appeals Judges

Court of Appeals, Attention: Chief Staff Attorney

Director of State Courts

Legal Action of Wisconsin, Attention: John F. Ebbott

League of Women Voters

Marquette Law School, Attention: Joseph D. Kearney

Office of Lawyer Regulation

Office of State Public Defender, Attention: Kelli S. Thompson Office of the Attorney General, Attention: J.B. Van Hollen

State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: James Brennan State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: George Brown State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: Adam Korbitz

State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: Natasha Fahey-Flynn

U.W. Law School, Attention: Margaret Raymond

Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Attention: Katy Borowski, Executive Director

Western District Bar Association of Wisconsin, Attention: Lynn M. Stathas

Wisconsin Asian Bar Association, Attention: Arman S. Rouf

Wisconsin Association for Justice, Attention: Jane E. Garrott, Executive Director Wisconsin Association of African American Lawyers, Attn: Steven DeVougas Wisconsin Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Attention: Peter McKeever Wisconsin Association of Judicial Court Commissioners, Attention: Cedric Cornwall

Wisconsin Bankers Association, Attention: Attorney John Knight

Wisconsin Clerks of Circuit Court Association, Attention: Lonnie Wolf

Wisconsin Counties Association, Attention: David Callender

Wisconsin Defense Counsel, Attention: Jane Svinicki and Andrew C. Cook

Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, Attention: Matthew Giesfeldt, Executive Director Wisconsin Family Court Commissioners Association, Attention: Commr. Jason Hanson

Wisconsin Hispanic Lawyers Association, Attention: Adria D. Maddaleni

Wisconsin Judicare, Inc., Attention: Rosemary Elbert

Wisconsin Judicial Commission, Attention: James Alexander

Wisconsin Judicial Council, Attention: April Southwick

Wisconsin Juvenile Court Clerks Association, Attention: Vicki Gilbertson

Wisconsin Municipal Judges Association, Attention: Honorable JoAnn Eiring

Wisconsin Registers in Probate Association, Attention: Amy Franzen

Wisconsin State Attorneys Association, Attention: Francis X. Sullivan

Wisconsin Trial Judges Association, Attention: Honorable Mary M. Kuhnmuench Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association, Attention: Amanda Rockmann, President

Christian Gossett, Winnebago County District Attorney

List of Additional Interested Parties – if any