

NEBRASKA STATE BAR COMMISSION OF THE NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT ADMISSION APPLICATION

Directions

Read the Nebraska Admission Requirements for the practice of law online here.

Answer all questions in full. Complete all forms as applicable. Your application will be processed only after you have submitted payment, the application, fingerprints, notarized releases and affidavits, and any other supplemental documents required by responses to specific questions (e.g. if you are admitted in another jurisdiction, you must submit a Certificate in Good Standing).

- Applications will not be processed until all required documentation has been received.
- Inaccurate, incomplete, or unclear responses to questions will delay your application.
- Provide your full legal name and all previously used names. Your name(s) will be used for identification for references.
- Provide the current number, street name, city, state, zip code, and email address where requested.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to provide accurate contact information for all former employers, personal and academic references, and for law enforcement agencies.
- Inform references, current and former employers, that they will be contacted.
- Keep a copy of your application and all supplemental documents for your records.
- Subsequent or concurrent applications Report all subsequent/concurrent applications to state, foreign, and tribal jurisdictions that are submitted while this application is pending.
- It is your responsibility to update your application until you have been notified that your application is approved or denied.
- You will be notified if additional information is needed for your application. Status updates are not provided on applications.

Any questions regarding this application or the bar exam must be made in writing to: nsc.attyadmissions@nejudicial.gov.

Preamble

The Nebraska Supreme Court (Court) exercises jurisdiction over admission to the practice of law in the State of Nebraska. The Court established the Nebraska State Bar Commission (Commission) to review all applicants and make recommendations to the Court for admission. See Neb. Ct. R. §3-100. The Commission is charged with conducting an investigation into each applicant's moral character and fitness to practice law. The objective of character and fitness screening is to protect the public and safeguard the legal system. The purpose of inquiries into the applicant's background is to produce information necessary to evaluate the applicant's character and fitness. See Neb. Ct. R. §3-116.

It is the applicant's responsibility to provide information as requested by the Commission to demonstrate the applicant meets the requirements for the practice of law as set forth by the Nebraska Supreme Court. See Neb. Ct. R. §3-125.

The Commission conducts a thorough and extensive background investigation. Failure to disclose relevant information will have serious consequences. Information gathered in the course of the investigation is for the limited purpose of determining an applicant's eligibility to practice law and is subject to rules of confidentiality set forth by the Nebraska Supreme Court. See Neb. Ct. R. §3-127.

Overvio	ew		Application #			
	Application Information	Finge	erprint Information			
Туре		Fingerprints				
		Date				
Application Type Additional Details						
Exam, UBE Motion, and Non-UBE Motion Fields		Military Spouse Fields				
NCBE Number		Spouse Active Duty				
MPRE Score		Spouse Name				
Exam Date		Duty Station				
UBE Score		Active Duty Start Date				
Why do you	want to be					

Applicant Information

admitted to the Nebraska State Bar?

Applicant Name				g address at v ut this applice	•	ou can be contacted uring the next six	
First				Address			
Middle				Address			
Last		Suffix		City		State	
	Appli	cant Det	tails	Zip		Country	
SSN						Contac	t
Sex	[Male / Female / Other]	DoB		Email			
Birth City				Home			
Birth State		Country	United States	Work			

Former Names

Have you ever used or been known by a different name? Note: You are being asked to provide any different name you have used in employment, official documentation, or governmental records so that you are properly identified when inquiries are sent to schools, employers, courts, and other references. For this reason, it is important that you accurately state the period of time you used each name so that the appropriate name is used for inquiries during that period. Please provide in the Explanation any information you believe might be helpful to the inquiry.

Former Names							
Name	Reason	From	То				

Pre-Application Questionnaire

Yes/No	Have you received either a J.D. or LLB degree from an ABA approved law school?				
Exam Questions					
Yes/No	Have you received an MPRE score of at least 85 within the last 5 years or are presently scheduled to sit for the MPRE?				
	I have NOT failed to pass a bar examination four or more times in any state or jurisdiction or combination of states or jurisdictions.				
Motion Que	estions				
Yes/No	Are you in good standing with the highest court of every state, territory, or district of the United States in which you are licensed?				
Yes/No	Have you received a UBE score or a non-UBE score equivalent to a UBE score of at least 270?				
Practice Time C	Questions				
Yes/No	Have you been actively and substantially engaged in the practice of law in another state, territory, or district of the United States or who have properly registered as in-house counsel in Nebraska under Neb. Ct. R. §§ 3-1201 to 3-1204 for 3 of the 5 years immediately preceding application for admission?				
Military Spouse	Questions				
Yes/No	Do you reside or work, or intend within the next 6 months to reside or work, in Nebraska?				

If "no" has been chosen for any of the questions above, please see the Nebraska Admission Rules for the Practice of Law, specifically Neb. Ct. R. §3-121.

Prior Applications

Prior Applications for Admission and Authorizations to Practice Law

☐ I have not submitted an application to any jurisdiction in any of the categories indicated below:

Please list any prior applications you have submitted in any U.S. jurisdiction in any of the following categories:

Law Student Registrant

This refers to jurisdiction sponsored law student registration programs (not law school applications nor law student practice applications).

Bar Exam

Report all exams for which you have applied or registered, even if you did not sit for the exam. Report all exams even if you did not apply for admission to that jurisdiction and regardless of admission status. Omit the MPRE and First-Year Law Student Examinations.

Transferred UBE Score

Have you ever applied for admission by transferred Uniform Bar Examination (UBE) score?

Motion

Other than Transferred UBE Score. Do not list U.S. federal court or pro hac vice admissions under this category.

Diploma Privilege

Diploma privilege refers to admission to practice law by virtue of graduation from a law school without having passed a written bar examination. This process might be known by different names (e.g. "exam waiver admission") and may have been granted with conditions such as for a limited time or limited purposes (e.g. as an "emergency diploma privilege" or "temporary diploma privilege.") For any entries in this category, please fully explain the terms and conditions of your admission.

Foreign Legal Consultant

Have you ever registered as a foreign legal consultant?

In-House Counsel

Have you ever registered as in-house counsel?

Other

Any U.S. or foreign jurisdiction or tribal court. In this context, "otherwise" means other than reported under other categories. Do not list U.S. federal court or pro hac vice admissions under this category.

Туре	Jurisdiction	Apply Date	Date Admitted	Current Status

	Attorney Conduct					
Yes/No	Have you ever been disbarred, censured, reprimanded, or disqualified as an attorney?					
Yes/No	Have you ever been the subject of any charges, complaints, or grievances concerning your conduct as an attorney?					
Yes/No	Have you ever been the subject of any charges, complaints, or grievances alleging that you engaged in the unauthorized practice of law?					
Yes/No	Have sanctions ever been entered against you, or have you ever been disqualified from participating in a case?					

Туре	Agency	Name	Case Number	Date

Education

Please list complete information regarding your law school/college/university attendance, including institutions at which you studied abroad.

Law-related education is to be listed separately.

- If the school's name has changed since your attendance, provide the current and former names.
- Multiple degrees received from the same school require separate entries, as do multiple periods of attendance (other than those interrupted only by school vacations).

Non-Law-Related Education								
School Name	Degree	Field of Study	From	То	Disciplined?			

Law-Related Education							
School Name	Degree	Field of Study	From	То	Disciplined?		

Disciplinary question (Yes/No): Have you ever been deemed ineligible, suspended, issued a warning, placed on scholastic or disciplinary probation, convicted of honor code violation, expelled, requested to withdraw, allowed to withdraw in lieu of discipline, otherwise subjected to discipline, or requested or advised to discontinue your studies by this institution?

(Bar Exam Applicants) Currently enrolled law students who are candidates for J.D. degrees must complete the Law School Request for Dean's Certification form.

Deans Certificatio	n
School Name	Attendance Dates

Residences

List every permanent or temporary physical address where you have resided since the age of 18 or for the last 10 years, whichever period is shorter.

For your current residence, leave the 'To' date field blank.

Residences							
Local Law Enforcement	County	From	То				

Employment

List all employment and unemployment information for the last ten years or since age 18, whichever period is shorter. In addition, list all law-related employment you have ever had.

For any current entries, leave the 'To' date field blank.

Notes:

- **Employment** In this context, employment encompasses all part-time and full-time employment, including self-employment, externships, internships (paid and unpaid), clerkships, military service, volunteer work, and temporary employment.
- **Unemployment** Provide a brief, but specific, description of your activities while unemployed (e.g. seeking employment, preparing for law school, attending *<school name>*, vacation, studying for bar exam)
- **Employment References** If an employer is no longer in operation, or you were self-employed or employed by a relative, provide the name and contact information of a verifying reference. **Do not list yourself or a relative as a verifying reference.**
- **Details** Indicate if the address provided is a company headquarters or if you worked remotely. Provide other information that may assist in verification of this period of employment.

Employment History							
Employer Position From To							

	Employment Discipline			
Yes/No	Have you ever been terminated, suspended, disciplined, laid off, or permitted to resign in lieu of termination from any job? (If the employment was not previously listed, please add it to the Employment History section above).			
Explanation (if yes):				

Law-Related Employment					
Yes/No	Have you ever been employed in a position where you performed legal work without being admitted to practice law?				
	Ju	udici	al Office		
Yes/No	Have you ever held judicial office?				
Court (if yes):					
	Mi	ilitar	y Service		
Yes/No	Have you ever been a member of the arm Guard?	ned for	ces of the United S	states, its reserve compone	nts, or the National
	Branch	Start Dat		End Date mm/dd/yyyy	
	Rank	Duty S	station		
	Organization Name (Optional)				
	Address Line 1				
	Address Line 2				
	City		State	•	
	Zip Code		Country United States	▼	
	Email Address		Phone Number		
	○ Yes ○ No Did you receive an honora	able dis	charge?		
	Yes No Did you receive a general		honorable condition	s discharge?	
	Yes No Were you ever court martis				
	Yes No Were you ever awarded no				
	Yes No Were you administratively discharged? Please upload copies of all your reports of separation (e.g. DD Form 214 - Member Copy #4, NGB Form 22, etc.). The DD form 214 that you provide must indicate your character of service.				
		Lic	enses		
Yes/No	Have you ever applied for a license (even if the application was subsequently withdrawn) or held a license for a business, trade, or profession other than as an attorney-at-law?				
Yes/No	Have you ever been denied a license or h	nad a lic	cense revoked for	a business, trade or profess	sion?

Type	Status	Number	Issued By	Application	Expiration

Character and Fitness

	Professional Conduct		
Yes/No	Yes/No Have you ever been suspended, censured, or otherwise reprimanded or disqualified as a member of another profession, or as a holder of public office?		
Explanation (if yes):			
Yes/No	Have you ever been the subject of any charges, complaints, or grievances (formal or informal) concerning your conduct as a member of any other profession, or as a holder of public office, including any now pending?		
Explanation (if yes):			
Bonds			
Yes/No	Has any surety on any bond on which you were the principal been required to pay any money on your behalf?		

Other Conduct

The purpose of these questions is to allow the Nebraska Bar Commission to determine the current fitness of an applicant to practice law. The mere fact of treatment, monitoring, or participation in a support group is not, in itself, a basis for which admission is denied; the Nebraska Bar Commission routinely certifies for admission individuals who demonstrate personal responsibility and maturity dealing with fitness issues. The Nebraska Bar Commission encourages applicants who may benefit from assistance to seek it.

Yes/No	Within the past five years, have you exhibited any conduct or behavior that calls into question your ability to exercise such responsibilities as being candid and truthful, handling funds, meeting deadlines, or otherwise representing the interest of others?
Explanation (if yes):	
Yes/No	Within the past five years, have you asserted any condition or impairment as a defense, in mitigation, or as an explanation for your conduct in the course of any inquiry or investigation by an educational institution, government agency, professional organization, or licensing authority; in any administrative or judicial proceeding; or in connection with an employment matter or termination procedure?
Explanation (if yes):	
Yes/No	Within the past five years, have you ever been absent from any post-secondary education institution for more than 20 days, other than for regularly scheduled school vacations?
Explanation (if yes):	

Yes/No	Within the past five years have you ever been absent from a job for more than 20 consecutive work days other than regularly scheduled vacations?
Explanation (if yes):	

Yes/No	Needs Form 7? Following a review of the application and the responses to the above questions, the Commission may request a Form 7 be completed, an authorization to contact mental health and medical treatment providers.
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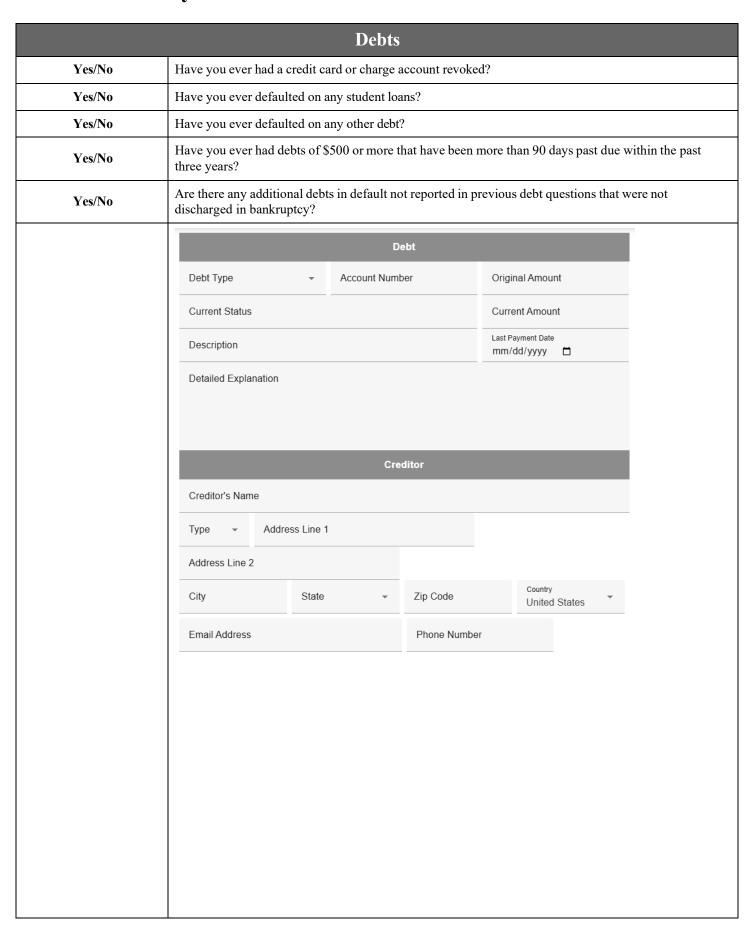
Civil / Criminal / Traffic

Civil Actions				
Yes/No	Have you ever been a named party to any civil action?			
Yes/No	Have you ever had a complaint or action (including, but not limited to, allegations of fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, forgery, or malpractice) initiated against you in any administrative forum?			
	Criminal Actions			
Yes/No	Have you ever been cited for, arrested for, charged with, or convicted of any violation of any law other than a case that was resolved in juvenile court or otherwise sealed according to law?			
Yes/No	Yes/No Have you ever been cited for, arrested for, charged with, or convicted of any alcohol- or drug-related traffic violation other than a violation that was resolved in juvenile court or otherwise sealed according to law?			
	Traffic Violations			
Yes/No	Have you ever been cited for, arrested for, charged with or convicted of any traffic violation since the age of 18 or during the past ten years, whichever is less? (Do not include parking violations or speeding tickets.)			

		Civil Act	ions		
Title	Number	Date	Court Name	Trial Date	Parties

Criminal Act	ctions	

Financial History



		Bankrupto	e y		
Yes/No	Have you ever filed	a petition for bankruptcy	?		
		Cour	rt		
	Complete Title of Action	ı			
	Court Name				
	Date Filed mm/dd/yyyy 📋				
	Court File Number				
	Organization Name (Op	itional)			
	Address Line 1				
	Address Line 2				
	City				
	State			*	
	Zip Code				
	Country United States			*	
		Descrip	tion		
	Detailed description of	circumstances surrounding filing p	etition for bankruptcy		
		Debts Disc	charged		
	Credit Grantor	Account Number	Amount Discharged		
	Grantor	Account #	Amount		
		ADD D			
	Date of Final Disposition mm/dd/yyyy	Disposi	ition		
	Final Disposition				
	Yes No Were any adversary pro	ceedings instituted?			
	Yes No Were any debts not disc	harged?			



Background Check

Fingerprints

Complete two sets of your fingerprints. Fingerprints are required with each application submitted in Nebraska. Fingerprints may be made digitally (if located within Nebraska and done at a Nebraska State Patrol Troop Station - see locations listed at https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/administration/attorneys/admission-practice-law#fingerprints) or on fingerprint cards. If fingerprints are completed on physical fingerprint cards, please mail them to our office at PO Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509. If fingerprints are done digitally and are being electronically sent to the Nebraska State Patrol, you are not required to mail fingerprint cards in connection with the application. As a courtesy, blank fingerprint cards may be requested by sending an email to nsc.attyadmissions@nejudicial.gov and indicating your current mailing address for them to be mailed to.

Please remember to complete all applicable identifying information on the fingerprint cards, as well as sign and date the cards. Failure to complete all the personal information requested on the top portion of both fingerprint cards will cause your application to be delayed and/or your fingerprint cards to be rejected.

The ORI # for the Nebraska State Bar Commission is NB920150Z.

☐ I have completed two sets of my fingerprints for this Nebraska application

Nebraska State Bar Commission Background Check Waiver

I hereby authorize the Nebraska State Bar Commission to submit a set of my fingerprints and this form to the Nebraska State Patrol for the purpose of accessing and reviewing the Nebraska and FBI national criminal history records that may pertain to me. I understand that I would be able to receive any national criminal history record that may pertain to me directly from the FBI, pursuant to 28 CFR Sections 16.30-16.34, and that I could then freely disclose any such information to whomever I chose. By signing this Waiver Agreement, it is my intent to authorize the dissemination of any national criminal history record that may pertain to me to the above agency with which I am seeking admission.

I understand that, upon request, you will provide me a copy of the criminal history background report, if any, you receive on me and that I am entitled to challenge the accuracy and completeness of any information contained in any such report. I may obtain a prompt determination as to the validity of my challenge before you make a final decision about my status as an employee, volunteer, contractor, or subcontractor.

I have been convicted of a crime.	Yes/No
Explanation (if yes):	
Name:	
Signature:	
Signature Date:	

Applicant Oath

I have read the questions on the character and fitness application for admission to the practice of law in the State of Nebraska and have answered the same fully and frankly. The answers are complete and are true of my own knowledge. I understand that false information may be grounds for disbarment. I further declare that should any occurrence or event take place prior to my admission to the practice of law in the State of Nebraska, which may render inaccurate, untrue, or incomplete any statement made herein, I will immediately report such occurrence or event in writing to the Nebraska State Bar Commission.

Signature of Applicant

Signature Date

Is there anything further you would like to tell the Nebraska State Bar Commission that was not asked on the application?

Required Documents

See A	application Completion Checklist for full list of required documentation.
	☐ (Bar Exam Applicants) Current valid photo ID (i.e. driver's license, passport - the photo
	must also have identifiers to indicate it is you).
	Authorization and Release Form (must be notarized).
	Fair Credit Reporting Act Disclosure Statement (must be notarized).
	(Attorney Applicants) A <i>current</i> Certificate in Good Standing for each jurisdiction
	where you are licensed. Certificate(s) must be dated within 30 days of the filing of your
	complete application.