

Application for Temporary Special Authorization for Supervised Practice of Law

I, _____, [Applicant's Name], make this application for a temporary special authorization to provide legal services in Maryland ("Temporary Special Authorization") pursuant to the Administrative Order Establishing Special Authorization for the Temporary Supervised Practice of Law ("the Temporary Supervised Practice Order") issued by the Court of Appeals of Maryland on August 28, 2020. In support of this application, I certify as follows:

1. I am an applicant for admission to the bar of Maryland, having filed a Notice of Intent to Take the UBE in Maryland for an examination session that was postponed and/or canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency.

2. I understand and acknowledge that, by filing this Application for Temporary Special Authorization, I am directing the State Board of Law Examiners (the "Board") to withdraw my Notice of Intent to Take the UBE in Maryland originally scheduled for July 2020.

3. I understand and acknowledge that in order to be eligible for Temporary Special Authorization, I must meet all qualifications enumerated in the paragraph 1 of the Temporary Supervised Practice Order.

4. I understand and acknowledge that a Maryland-licensed attorney meeting the qualifications enumerated in paragraph 3.a. of the Temporary Supervised Practice Order must agree to supervise my practice, and that I must provide to the Board a Declaration of Supervising Attorney executed by the attorney who has agreed to supervise my temporary provision of legal services, as a prerequisite for eligibility for Temporary Special Authorization.

5. I understand and acknowledge that I must disclose my Temporary Special Authorization status on all pleadings and written communications to clients, courts, administrative tribunals, and alternate dispute resolution tribunals by including the words "Specially Authorized for Temporary Practice" immediately adjacent to my name on any pleading or communication.

6. I understand and acknowledge that all fees for legal services provided by me must be paid to the Supervising Attorney or to the entity by which I am employed. I further understand and acknowledge that I may receive compensation from the Supervising Attorney or from the entity by which I am employed, but I may not receive compensation directly from any client or third party in connection for legal services I provide under a Temporary Special Authorization.

7. I submit to the jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals of Maryland with respect to any and all disciplinary matters that may arise during the period of my Temporary Special Authorization.

8. I understand and acknowledge that, on December 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as the Board finds I have complied with the requirements of the Temporary Supervised Practice Order, the Court shall notify me that I am eligible to be issued a Temporary Special Authorization. I further understand and acknowledge that, after receiving such notification of eligibility, I will be required to take the oath or affirmation set forth in the Temporary Supervised Practice Order and to notify the Board and the Clerk of the Court of Appeals that I have taken such oath or affirmation. I understand that my Temporary Special Authorization will not be effective until all the actions set forth in this paragraph have occurred.

9. I understand and acknowledge that, under the terms of the Temporary Supervised Practice Order, I am required to take the UBE in Maryland no later than February 2022, or if I take the UBE in a jurisdiction other than Maryland prior to February 2022 and earn a qualifying UBE score, I am required to file a Notice of Intent to Transfer a Qualifying UBE Score pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-207 no later than the first day of the administration of the February 2022 UBE in Maryland, or if I become eligible for admission without examination pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-215 prior to February 2022, I am required to file a Petition for Admission Without

Examination pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-216 no later than the first day of the administration of the February 2022 UBE in Maryland.

10. I understand and acknowledge that my Temporary Special Authorization will terminate:
- a) If I pass a bar exam administered by the Board no later than the February 2022 UBE in Maryland or if I file a Notice of Intent to Transfer a Qualifying UBE Score to Maryland pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-207 or a Petition for Admission Without Examination pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-216 prior to the first day of the February 2022 UBE in Maryland, on the date of my admission to the Maryland bar; or
 - b) If I take a bar examination administered by the Board no later than the February 2022 UBE in Maryland, but I do not achieve a passing score, on the day of the release of the official results of the bar examination I take; or
 - c) If I do not sit for all sessions of the February 2022 UBE in Maryland, or if I do not file a Notice of Intent to Transfer a Qualifying UBE Score to Maryland pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-207 or a Petition for Admission Without Examination pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-216 prior to the first day of the February 2022 UBE in Maryland, on the last day of the administration of the February 2022 UBE in Maryland, unless extended by the Board for good cause to no later than the July 2022 UBE in Maryland; or
 - d) If I separate from employment with my supervising attorney or the entity by which my supervising attorney is employed, on the date of my separation from employment, unless I move to new employment and submit a Declaration from a substitute supervising attorney; or
 - e) If my supervising attorney notifies the Board that he or she is unable to continue supervising my temporary practice, on the date the Board receives a notice terminating supervision, unless the notice is accompanied by a Declaration from a substitute supervising attorney; or
 - f) If I transmit written notice to the Board of my intent to withdraw my designation as a person receiving Temporary Special Authorization, on the date I transmit such written notice; or
 - g) If I cease to meet the eligibility requirements of the Temporary Supervised Practice Order or otherwise fail to abide by the requirements of the Temporary Supervised Practice Order, on the date that the Court of Appeals approves the Notice of Termination issued by the Board.

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing statements are true and correct.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

NCBE: _____

Signed application forms must be scanned and emailed to SBLE@mdcourts.gov no later than 4:30 p.m. on September 21, 2020.