

**IN THE MATTER OF
AMENDING SCR 40.04 AND CREATING SCR
§40.04 (11) and (12), AMENDING SCR 40.13 (3) (a),
and CREATING SCR 40.14 (3) (k) Relating to the
Wisconsin Bar Examination**

PETITION 26-_____

To: Chief Justice Jill J. Karofsky
Justice Annette Kingsland Ziegler
Justice Rebecca F. Dallet
Justice Brian K. Hagedorn
Justice Janet C. Protasiewicz
Justice Susan M. Crawford
Justice Chris Taylor
16 East State Capitol
Madison, WI 53701

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
OF WISCONSIN

The Board of Bar Examiners, by its Executive Director Jacquelynn B. Rothstein, hereby petitions the Supreme Court of Wisconsin for an order to adopt the following:

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. SCR 40.04 (11) is created to read:

Commencing in July 2026, an applicant may be eligible for admission provided the applicant has received a scaled score of 620 or higher earned in another jurisdiction on the NextGen and the score is certified as a NextGen score by the National Conference of Bar Examiners. The applicant shall submit evidence of the score and a complete application for admission to the Board within 36 months of the date of the qualifying examination being used as the basis for the admission. When a passing score is set for the NextGen exam, that score will retroactively apply to the July 2026 administration of the NextGen exam.

SECTION 2. SCR 40.04 (12) is created to read:

(a) Before being admitted to the practice of law in Wisconsin by NextGen examination or by transferred NextGen score, an applicant shall successfully complete 21 hours of the Wisconsin law and practice educational component.

(b) The Wisconsin law and practice educational component shall be completed no later than 12 months after receiving notification of a passing NextGen score or within 12 months of filing an application for admission via an eligible NextGen transfer score.

(c) The Wisconsin law and practice educational component shall be comprised of subject matter areas based on the requirements of the diploma privilege as found in SCR 40.03 and approved by the board.

SECTION 4. SCR 40.14 (3) (a) is amended to read:

SCR 40.14 (3) (a)

Bar examination fee \$750

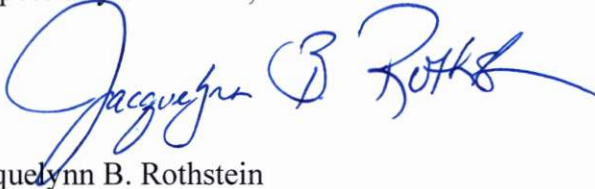
SECTION 5. SCR 40.14 (3) (j) is created to read:

SCR 40.14(3)(j)

Fee for admission by transferred NextGen score \$450

Dated this 30th day of September, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,



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