

RULE CHANGE 2020(23)
RULES GOVERNING ADMISSION TO THE
PRACTICE OF LAW IN COLORADO

Rule 205.8. Emergency Rule Concerning Certification for Limited Practice as a Graduate Before Admission By Examination

~~(a) Duration of Rule. If the July 2020 Colorado bar examination is postponed, this Rule shall take effect on the date such postponement is announced by the Office of Attorney Admissions and expires seven days after the swearing-in ceremony following the first Colorado bar examination that is held after the effective date of this Rule or when otherwise repealed by the Court. The Court, in its discretion, may extend the time limits set forth in this Rule.~~

(a) Effective Dates.

(1) This Rule shall take effect August 1, 2020 for applicants for admission who meet all eligibility requirements under this Rule and who notify the Office of Attorney Admissions in writing by July 20, 2020 that they are transferring their July 2020 Colorado bar examination registration to the February 2021 Colorado bar examination. Applicants who notify the Office of Attorney Admissions in writing after July 20, 2020 but no later than July 31, 2020 that they are disqualified from sitting for the July 2020 Colorado bar examination under the Office's examination protocols and medical screening questionnaire will be deemed to have met the notification deadline in this subsection. For applicants under this paragraph (a)(1), this Rule expires seven days after the last scheduled swearing-in ceremony corresponding with the Colorado bar examination held in February 2021.

(2) All other applicants who registered for the July 2020 Colorado bar examination are ineligible for certification under this Rule unless the July 2020 examination is postponed. If the July 2020 examination is postponed, this Rule shall take effect on August 1, 2020 and, for applicants registered for the July 2020 examination, expires seven days after the last scheduled swearing-in ceremony corresponding with the first Colorado bar examination that is held after the effective date of this Rule.

(3) In its discretion, the Supreme Court may extend the time limits set forth in this Rule.

(b) [NO CHANGE]

(c)(1) - (4) [NO CHANGE]

(5) has not yet ~~had an opportunity to taken~~ the Colorado bar examination, ~~or deferred such opportunity in 2019 to serve a judicial clerkship~~; and,

(6) [NO CHANGE]

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Amended and Adopted by the Court, En Banc, this 9th day of July, 2020, effective immediately.

By the Court:

**Monica M. Márquez
Justice, Colorado Supreme Court**