

Rule 3. State Board of Continuing Legal Education

A. Membership of the Board. The court shall appoint 12 members and a Chairperson. The membership of the Board shall consist of:

- (1) three members of the public;
- (2) one member who is a district court judge;
- (3) six lawyer members who are nominated by the Minnesota State Bar Association; and
- (4) three lawyer members who are nominated by the Court.

B. Terms of Members. Appointments shall be for staggered three-year terms, with no member serving more than two three-year terms, and each member serving until a successor is appointed.

C. Officers of the Board.

(1) Chairperson. The Chairperson of the Board shall be appointed by the Court for such time as it shall designate and shall serve at the pleasure of the Court.

(2) Vice Chairperson. A Vice Chairperson shall be designated by the Chairperson and shall maintain the minutes of meetings of the Board.

D. Authority of the Board. Subject to the general direction of the Court in all matters, the Board:

(1) shall have supervisory authority over the administration of these Rules, shall approve courses and programs which satisfy the educational requirements of these Rules, and shall have authority to grant waivers of strict compliance with these Rules or extensions of time deadlines provided in these Rules in cases of hardship or other compelling reasons;

(2) shall have supervisory authority over the administration of the Rules of the Supreme Court on Lawyer Registration; and

(3) may adopt policies and forms not inconsistent with these Rules or the Rules of the Supreme Court on Lawyer Registration governing the conduct of business and performance of its duties.

E. Board Procedures. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of Board meetings where practicable.

F. Confidentiality. Unless otherwise directed by the Court, the files, records, and proceedings of the Board, as they may relate to or arise out of any failure of an active lawyer to satisfy the continuing legal education requirements, shall be deemed confidential and shall not be disclosed except in furtherance of the Board's duties, or upon request of the lawyer affected, or as they may be introduced in evidence or otherwise produced in proceedings in accordance with these Rules.

G. Persons with Disabilities. The Board shall administer these Rules in a manner consistent with state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination against persons with disabilities and to make reasonable modifications in any policies, practices, and procedures that might otherwise deny equal access to individuals with disabilities.

H. Payment of Expenses. The Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson and other members of the Board shall serve without compensation, but shall be paid reasonable and necessary expenses certified to have been incurred in the performance of their duties.

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