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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN RE:

ELLEN A. IPSEN

Petitioner,

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MOTION FOR ADMISSION TO  
PRACTICE LAW IN MONTANA

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I, Ellen A. Ipsen, respectfully move this Court for admission to practice law in the State of Montana, pursuant to Section IV of the Rules for Admission to the Bar of Montana. In support of this motion, I have attached a copy of a letter from the Commission on Character and Fitness of the Supreme Court of the State of Montana certifying that I have satisfied the requirements set forth in Section IV of the Rules for Admission to the State Bar of Montana.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 25th day of April, 2023.



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ELLEN A. IPSEN

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed by first class mail and/or delivered electronically on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023 to the following:

Kathie Lynch  
Bar Admissions Administrator  
P.O. Box 577  
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ellen A. Ipsen', written over a horizontal line.

ELLEN A. IPSEN



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RE: *Eligibility for Admission to the State Bar of Montana*

Dear Ellen:

The primary purposes of character and fitness screening before admission to the Bar of Montana are to assure the protection of the public and safeguard the justice system. Upon thorough review of your application and background investigation, the Montana Commission on Character and Fitness finds that you have produced satisfactory evidence that you can fulfill these requirements. My records indicate that you have now completed eligibility requirements for admission to the Montana Bar, including submission of qualifying UBE and MPRE scores, have attended the Montana Law Seminar and been certified for character and fitness. Upon payment of the license tax and dues, you will have fulfilled all requirements for admission.

The Montana Bar collects the license tax on behalf of the Supreme Court Clerk, and those fees must be paid before you are able to be sworn-in. I have enclosed a Member Enrollment form that must be submitted with a check payable to the State Bar of Montana or, if you prefer to pay by credit card, you can contact me at 447-2210 or Jill Diveley at 447-2211 to pay by phone.

<u>Fees*</u>	<u>Active Status</u>	<u>Inactive Status</u>
License Tax	25.00	25.00
State Bar Dues	50.00	50.00
Lawyer's Fund for Client Protection	20.00	.0
Disciplinary Counsel Assessment	125.00	.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$220.00</b>	<b>\$75.00</b>

Please contact the Supreme Court Clerk's office at (406) 444-3858 to arrange for swearing-in at the Court or another location. Information and a form petition to request authorization for off-site admission are available on the Clerk's website at <http://courts.mt.gov/clerk>. The Montana Rules of Admission require that you present yourself for admission within one year from the date of this notice.

Congratulations again, and we wish you the greatest success in your career as a Montana attorney.

Sincerely,

Kathie Lynch  
Bar Admissions Administrator