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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Henry Westesen
Petitioner

Petition for Admission to
State Bar of Montana
Case # PR 23-0232

Petitioner **Henry Westesen**; moves this Court for admission to the State Bar of Montana. In support of this motion, Petitioner states as follows:

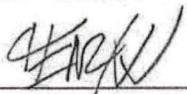
1. I have obtained a certification from the Commission on Character and Fitness, see attached letter (attachment 1.)
2. I have passed the Montana Uniform Bar Examination.
3. I have passed the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination.
4. I have obtained a letter from the State Bar of Montana stating that I have met all requirements for admission to the State Bar of Montana (attachment 2).
5. I have been hired as a Deputy County Attorney for Gallatin County. In order to assist my office and community quickly, and to be ready for upcoming trials, it is imperative that I am sworn in early.

 / Dated this 14th day of September, 2023.
Petitioner

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Admission on the State Bar of Montana by mail as follows:

State Bar of Montana.
33 S. Last Chance Gulch, Suite 1B
Helena, MT 59601

 / Dated this 14 day of September, 2023.
Petitioner



Bowen Greenwood
CLERK

Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court

P.O. Box 203003
Helena, MT 59620-3003
406-444-3858 phone
406-444-5705 fax

September 6, 2023

MEMORANDUM

TO: July 2023 Montana Bar Examinees

FROM: **Bowen Greenwood**
Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court

RE: September 2023 Swearing-In Ceremony

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bowen Greenwood", written over a horizontal line.

Congratulations on passing the July 2023 Montana Bar Examination!

The Supreme Court of the State of Montana has calendared TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, as the date for the swearing-in ceremony for successful July 2023 bar examinees.

If you plan to attend, you must notify this office at (406)444-3858 by FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2023.

The ceremony will commence at 10:00 a.m. in the Old Supreme Court Chambers, located in the Capitol Building in Helena, Montana. Registration will be from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. If you wish to participate, you must have met all eligibility requirements, including payment of all dues and fees of the State Bar of Montana.

If you cannot attend the ceremony, you may arrange to be sworn in by any Montana District Court Judge. Contact the Clerk's office and we will supply the necessary paperwork. You may also petition the Supreme Court to be sworn-in by an authorized judge in another state or jurisdiction pursuant to the Montana Rules of Admission. You can also arrange to be sworn-in at the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Exam passers who do not attend this ceremony will need to file a Motion for Admission with the Montana Supreme Court before they can be sworn in.

At the ceremony, a licensed Montana attorney will move for admission of all new attorneys present for the ceremony before the Court. If you prefer to have a friend or relative move for your admission, then special arrangements must be made by contacting this office by September 22, 2023, at (406) 444-3858. The individual moving your admission must be an active member in good standing of the State Bar of Montana.

**PLEASE ALLOW ADEQUATE TIME TO REGISTER BEFORE THE 10:00 A.M. CEREMONY
APPROPRIATE PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE IS REQUIRED FOR THE CEREMONY**

If you have any questions prior to the swearing-in ceremony, please contact this office.

**MEMBER ENROLLMENT FORM
STATE BAR OF MONTANA**

The By-Laws of the State Bar of Montana require each new attorney to enroll by registering with the State Bar and filing the information requested on this form. *Please provide the following information as you want it to appear in State Bar records, publication in the annual Lawyers' Deskbook & Directory and mailings.**

Full Name: Henry N. Westesen Date of Birth: 12/04/1997
Firm/Organization Name: Gallatin County Attorney's Office
Preferred Address: 3017 Westridge Dr.
City, State, Zip: Bozeman, MT, 59715
Preferred Phone: (406) 551-5295 Preferred Fax: _____
Preferred Email: henry.westesen@gallatin.mt.gov

**Attorneys are responsible for providing the Bar office with any changes to their contact information. Log in at www.montanabar.org and choose Edit Bio or provide notice in writing.*

Date of Admission to State Bar of Montana (if known): _____

Date of Admission to other State(s): _____

Particulars regarding any previous suspension or revocation of right to practice law in any state or country:

Signature: [Signature] Today's Date: 09/14/2023

If above space is inadequate, please use the reverse side for additional data.

Please return by email, fax or mail to:

State Bar of Montana

P.O. Box 577

Helena, MT 59624 Phone: 406/442-7660 or Fax: 406/442-7763

jdivlev@montanabar.org

Westesen, Henry

From: Henry Westesen <hwestesen@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2023 8:17 AM
To: Westesen, Henry
Subject: Fwd: Certification-July 2023
Attachments: Exam Code of Conduct.docx; Guidelines for Acceptable Essay Answers.pdf

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From: Kathie Lynch <klynch@montanabar.org>
Date: Thu, 22 Jun 2023 at 7:49 am
Subject: Certification-July 2023
To: Kathie Lynch <klynch@montanabar.org>

Good Morning,

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. An attorney should be one whose record of conduct justifies the trust of clients, adversaries, courts and others with respect to the professional duties owed to them. The public is adequately protected only by a system that evaluates the character and fitness as those elements relate to the practice of law.

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. You are therefore certified for admission to the Montana Bar pending completion of all eligibility requirements. "Certification" as used in the Rules of the Character & Fitness Commission, refers to permission to sit for the Montana Bar examination and be admitted to the practice of law in Montana.

Prior to your admission to the Montana Bar, you have a continuing obligation to furnish complete and accurate information to the Character & Fitness Commission and to inform the Bar Admissions Administrator should anything occur which would change or render incomplete any portion of the information furnished in connection with your application. The Commission may revoke certification based upon any relevant information pertaining to your character and fitness received after the date of this letter. Further, the Commission may transmit this information to the Montana Supreme Court and/or the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, either before or after admission to the State Bar of Montana.

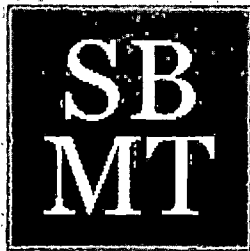
The public should be secure in its expectation that those who are admitted to the bar are worthy of the trust and confidence clients may reasonably place in their attorney. We encourage you to uphold the highest standards and ideals of the profession and to be an active part of the Montana legal network.

Also, attached is the Code of Conduct form. Please read that and sign, you can either email that back or make sure to have it with you to turn in when you sign in the day of the exam.

Remember if you have not done so already, the exam and Montana Law Seminar fees are due by July 1st, 2023. You can pay those fees by check or go to our website, www.montanabar.org, under the store tab, admissions, select the appropriate fees.

Sincerely,

Kathie



STATE BAR
OF MONTANA

Kathie Lynch

Bar Admissions Administrator

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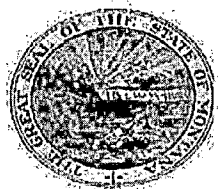
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Henry Nicholas Westesen
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Dear Henry,

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you the Montana Board of Bar Examiners has determined you were successful in passing the July 2023 Montana Bar Examination. The scores from each segment of the exam are converted to the 400-point UBE scale and combined with the MBE scaled scores. The lowest passing combined score for Montana is 266. Your scaled UBE score on the July 2023 Montana Bar Examination was 322.

If you would like to have your certified UBE scores transferred to other jurisdictions, you must submit a request to the NCBE for an official score transcript. More information about UBE scores and requesting a score transfer can be found on the NCBE's website.

Included is a separate letter from the Supreme Court Clerk's office with details of the Swearing-in Ceremony to be held on **September 26, 2023** in Helena. Due to the short time frame, **please contact the Court at (406) 444-3858 as soon as possible to let them know if you plan to attend the ceremony.** You will also need to contact the Court Clerk's office if you'd prefer to be sworn-in at a different place or time and they will provide information for off-site swearing-in. **The Rules require that you MUST be sworn-in within twelve months from the date of this letter, and you cannot practice law until you are sworn-in.**

The State Bar collects the dues and fees on behalf of the Supreme Court Clerk, and those fees must be paid by either check or credit card by contacting Jill Diveley, jdiveley@montanabar.org or 406-447-2211, before you can be sworn-in. I have enclosed a Membership Registration form that must be submitted with the fees to the State Bar of Montana in order to register your membership in the Bar. **The form and fees are due no later than September 22, 2023, if you intend to be sworn-in with the group on September 27th.**

<u>Fees*</u>	<u>For Active Status</u>	<u>For 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
Total	\$220.00	\$75.00

Once again, congratulations!

Sincerely,

Kathie Lynch
Bar Admissions Administrator