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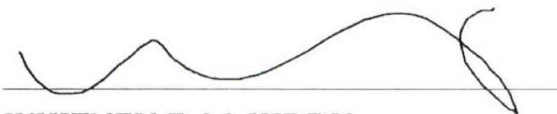
IN RE:
WHITNEY E. McKIDDY,
Petitioner,

MOTION FOR ADMISSION TO
PRACTICE LAW IN MONTANA

PR23-0232

I, Whitney Elizabeth McKiddy, 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 the State of Montana. In support of this Motion, I have attached a copy of the 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, along with a letter from the Board of Bar Examiners for the State of Montana determining I was successful in passing the July 2023 Montana Bar Examination.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 25th day of September, 2023.


WHITNEY E. McKIDDY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed by prepaid first-class mail and electronically delivered September 25, 2023 to the following:

Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court
Post Office Box 203003
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Kathie Lynch
Bar Admissions Administrator
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WHITNEY E. McKIDDY

Exhibit A

Letter from the Montana Commission on Character and Fitness



Whitney McKiddy <whitney.mckiddy@gmail.com>

Certification-July 2023

Kathie Lynch <klynch@montanabar.org>
To: Kathie Lynch <klynch@montanabar.org>

Thu, Jun 22 at 7:49 AM

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



Kathie Lynch

Bar Admissions Administrator

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Exam Code of Conduct.docx, Guidelines for Acceptable Essay Answers.pdf

Exhibit B

Letter from the State of Montana Board of Bar Examiners



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Dear Whitney,

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