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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN RE:  
James Keaton Klepper

Petitioner,

MOTION FOR ADMISSION  
TO PRACTICE LAW IN  
MONTANA

Case No. PR 23-0005

I, James Keaton Klepper, respectfully move this Court for admission to practice law in the State of Montana pursuant to Section V 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 V of the Rules for Admission to the State Bar of Montana. I also request that I be sworn in by the clerk of the court.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

  
JAMES KEATON KLEPPER

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was electronically delivered via Fax on September 29, 2023 to the following:

Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court  
Fax: No. 406-444-5705

  
JAMES KEATON KLEPPER



# COMMISSION ON CHARACTER AND FITNESS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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September 29, 2023

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

BARBARA M. HOWE, L.C.S.W.  
304 Broadway  
Helena, MT 59601

Dear James:

SAMUEL KING  
510 Bridge St.  
Helena, MT 59601

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.

DEX HENK  
P.O. Box 591631  
Helena, MT 59609

ALICE STANLEY  
P.O. Box 577  
Helena, MT 59623

ROBERT J. SCHMIDT  
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Helena, MT 59607

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 Jill Diveley, [jldiveley@montanabar.org](mailto:jldiveley@montanabar.org).

NICHOLE W. TOLBERT  
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<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>

A letter has been forwarded to the Clerk of the Supreme Court advising that you have met the eligibility requirements listed above. You will need to file a motion with the Court requesting admission to the Montana Bar accompanied by this confirmation letter. This letter does not grant you admission to the Bar, and the Court will determine whether to grant or deny your admission.

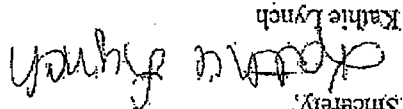
Please contact the Supreme Court Clerk's office at (406) 444-3858 to arrange for swearing-in at the Court or another location. Information and a form petition to request authorization for off-site admission are available on the Clerk's website at <http://courts.mt.gov/clerk>. The Montana Rules of Admission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

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yourself for admission within one year from the date of this notice. The Montana Bar will mail your license upon notice by the Court that you have completed the necessary attorney's oath for admission to the State Bar of Montana.

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

Sincerely,

  
Kathie Lynch

Bar Admissions Administrator