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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN RE PETITION TO ADOPT UNIFORM BAR  
EXAMINATION

and

IN RE THE PETITION AND MEMORANDUM IN  
SUPPORT OF REVISION OF THE 2005 RULES FOR  
ADMISSION AND RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE  
COMMISSION ON CHARACTER AND FITNESS  
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## O R D E R

On November 29, 2011, we conditionally granted petitions filed by the Montana Board of Bar Examiners (the Board) and the Commission on Character and Fitness to adopt the Uniform Bar Examination, raise the passing bar examination score to its original level, adopt an on-line educational and testing component devoted to Montana law, and adopt the NCBE on-line application and character investigation. We ordered the Board to prepare an implementation plan for adoption of these changes. The Board has now submitted its plan, a copy of which is attached to this Order.

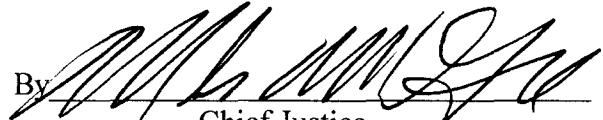
IT IS ORDERED that the Court will accept comments on the Board's implementation plan for a period of 45 days following the date of this Order. All comments shall be made in writing and filed with the Clerk of this Court.

A copy of this Order and the attached implementation plan shall be posted on the Court's website. In addition, the Clerk is directed to provide copies of this Order to the Chair of the Commission on Character and Fitness and the Chair of the Board of Bar Examiners, and copies of this Order and the attached implementation plan to Dean Irma S. Russell of the

University of Montana School of Law, and the Executive Director of the State Bar of Montana, with a request that they be posted on the State Bar's website.

DATED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

For the Court,

By   
Chief Justice