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Rule 6.1 allows for a temporary license to practice for no more than 6 months.

• Please consider changing the rule to allow for an extension or renewal of the temporary license in the event the February bar exam is not offered.

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• A better rule would be to simply make the temporary license valid until the next bar exam is offered, taken and the results are available.

Rule 7 allows for Admission by Motion if a person has been actively engaged in the practice of law for 4 of the last 5 years. The intent is to make sure the person can demonstrate competency.

• Please consider expanding the rule to allow admission by motion for anyone who has been actively involved in the practice of law for 8 or more years. That is twice the time required and anyone who has practiced that long should be presumed competent.

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