IN THE SUPREME COURT, STATE OF WYOMING

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In the Matter of the Amendments to the)
Rules and Procedures Governing)
Admission to the Practice of Law)

ORDER AMENDING RULES 201, 203, 304, AND 305 OF THE RULES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING ADMISSION TO THE PRACTICE OF LAW

The Wyoming Board of Law Examiners has recommended that this Court amend Rules 201, 203, 304, and 305 of the Rules and Procedures Governing Admission to the Practice of Law. This Court finds the recommendations should be adopted. It is, therefore,

ORDERED that the amendments to Rules 201, 203, 304, and 305 of the Rules and Procedures Governing Admission to the Practice of Law, attached hereto, are adopted by the Court to be effective March 1, 2017; and it is further

ORDERED that this order and the attached amendments shall be published in the advance sheets of the Pacific Reporter; the attached amendments shall be published in the Wyoming Court Rules Volume; and that this order and the attached amendments shall be published online at the Wyoming Judicial Branch's website, http://www.courts.state.wy.us. The amendments shall also be recorded in the journal of this Court.

DATED this 20th day of December, 2016.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

E. JAMES BURKE Chief Justice

Rules and Procedures Governing Admission to the Practice of Law

SECTION II APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION BY EXAMINATION

Rule 201. Applications for <u>Admission by Examination, Fees</u>.

(b) Applications to take the UBE for admission by examination shall be filed with the Clerk of the Court on a form prescribed by the Board and shall be accompanied by a fee established by the Board and the Court, together with a fee equal to the cost(s) of any credit or other report requested by the Board or the Committee, copy of the applicant's Request for Preparation of a Character Report to the NCBE. Incomplete applications will not be accepted for filing. Refunds will not be made in the event an applicant is found ineligible for admission by examination nor in the event of withdrawal of an application. Further, evidence that the applicant meets the education requirements set forth in these rules must be submitted contemporaneously with the application, together with all supporting data and certification required of an applicant. The Board may require the payment of an additional fee for investigation, including but not limited to, the cost of any record or documents required by the Board or the Committee in the conduct of an investigation or inquiry concerning the applicant, the cost of the character report from the NCBE and the cost of the services of an investigator. Additional investigation fees may be required by the Board, including but not limited to, the expenses necessary for the Board and/or the Committee to obtain records and documents and the fee necessary to pay the services of an investigator, if deemed of assistance to the Board and/or Committee. ***

Rule 203. Refunds. [Reserved]

Refunds of the UBE application fee will not be made in the event an applicant is found to be ineligible to take an examination. Refunds will not be made for withdrawal of an application, but may only be allowed by the Court upon motion and for good cause shown. [Reworded and relocated to Rule 201(b).]

SECTION III

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION ON MOTION OR BY TRANSFER OF UBE SCORE ***

Rule 304. Applications for Admission on Motion, Fees and Filing Deadlines.

(d) Applications for admission on motion shall be <u>filed with the Clerk of the Court and shall</u> <u>be</u> accompanied by a fee established by the Board and the Court and, in addition, together with the fee required to obtain a Character Report from the NCBE a copy of the applicant's Request for Preparation of a Character Report to the NCBE. Refunds will not be made for in the event an

applicant is found ineligible for admission on motion nor in the event of withdrawal of an application, but may only be allowed by the Court upon motion and for good cause shown. Incomplete applications will not be accepted for filing. Additional investigation fees may be required by the Board, including but not limited to, the expenses necessary for the Board and/or the Committee to obtain records and documents and the fee necessary to pay the services of an investigator, if deemed of assistance to the Board and/or Committee.

Rule 305. Applications for Admission by Transfer of UBE Score, Fees.

(c) All UBE transfer applicants shall complete an application prescribed by the Board and shall submit to a character investigation performed by or for the NCBE. Applications for admission by UBE score transfer shall be filed with the Clerk of the Court and shall be accompanied by a fee established by the Board and the Court together with a copy of the applicant's Request for Preparation of a Character Report to the NCBE. Refunds will not be made in the event an applicant is found ineligible for admission by UBE score transfer nor in the event of withdrawal of an application. A certificate of good standing from the highest court for each jurisdiction in which the applicant is admitted to practice law issued within the last 90 days shall accompany the application. Completed applications are to be filed with the Clerk of the Court. Incomplete applications will not be accepted for filing. Additional investigation fees may be required by the Board, including but not limited to, the expenses necessary for the Board and/or the Committee to obtain records and documents and the fee necessary to pay the services of an investigator, if deemed of assistance to the Board and/or Committee.
