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**Admission to Practice Rule (APR) 8(c)
Exception for Indigent Representation**

(c) Exception for Indigent Representation. A member in good standing of the Bar of another state or territory of the United States or of the District of Columbia, who is eligible to take the bar examination in this state, while rendering service in either a bar association or governmentally sponsored legal services organization or in a public defenders office or similar program providing legal services to indigents and only in that capacity, may, upon application and approval, practice law and appear as a lawyer before the courts of this state in any matter, litigation, or administrative proceeding, subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Application to practice under this rule shall be made to the Board of Governors, and the applicant shall be subject to the Rules for Enforcement of Lawyer Conduct and to the Rules of Professional Conduct.

(2) In any such matter, litigation, or administrative proceeding, the applicant shall be associated with an active member of the Bar Association, who shall be the lawyer of record and responsible for the conduct of the matter, litigation, or administrative proceeding.

(3) The applicant shall apply for and take the first bar examination which is given more than 90 days after the date of the applicants admission to practice under this rule.

(4) The applicants right to practice under this rule (i) may be terminated by the Supreme Court at any time with or without cause, or (ii) shall be terminated automatically for failure to take or pass the required bar examination, or (iii) shall be terminated for failure to become an active member of the Bar Association within 60 days of the date the bar examination results are made public, or (iv) in any event, shall be terminated within 1 year from the original date of the applicants admission to practice law in this state under this rule.