In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of Filing Deadline for the July 2020 Indiana Bar Examination.

Supreme Court Case No. 20S-MS-240



Order

On March 6, 2020, Governor Holcomb declared a public health emergency in Indiana relating to the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and on March 13, President Trump declared a national emergency relating to the virus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has determined that social distancing is necessary to minimize further spread of the virus, and the Indiana State Department of Health has issued and will continue to issue recommendations.

As a result of the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, it is unclear whether the State Board of Law Examiners will be able to administer the July 2020 Indiana bar examination as scheduled.

The Supreme Court therefore ORDERS that the filing deadline for applications for admission on first examination for the July 2020 Indiana bar examination is hereby extended to and including May 4, 2020. There shall be no late filing period for applications for admission on first examination in connection with the July 2020 Indiana bar examination. In the event that the State Board of Law Examiners is unable to administer the July 2020 Indiana bar examination as scheduled, all applicants shall be entitled to a full refund of their filing fee or, in the alternative, may request that their application be held in abeyance until the next administration of the Indiana bar examination.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 3/31/2020

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Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.