

**IN THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF GEORGIA**

IN RE: _____,
A Recent Law Graduate.

PETITION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE LAW
PURSUANT TO RULE 97 ET SEQ.

NOW COMES _____, a recent law graduate, and petitions this Court for authorization to practice law pursuant to Rule 96, et seq., as follows:

Pursuant to Rule 99, I am hereby providing the following personal information:

Name:

Address:

Social Security No.:

Law School:

Date of Graduation:

Pursuant to Rule 99, I am hereby notifying the Court that the name and title of the public defender who will supervise my Rule 97 activities is:

Name:

Title:

The signature of the above-named public defender appears below.

Pursuant to Rule 99, I have attached hereto a copy of my Certificate of Fitness to Practice Law issued by the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request this Court to consider this Petition, and pursuant to Rule 100, to register my name as eligible to practice law under Rule 97, et seq., and to issue a Certificate to me setting forth the duration of my eligibility to practice law under these rules.

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of _____, 200__.

A Recent Law Graduate

Public Defender of _____ Circuit

IN THE _____ COURT OF _____ COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

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OATH

I, _____, swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully, impartially and without fear, favor or affection discharge my duties as a recent law school graduate under Supreme Court Rule 97. I further swear (or affirm) that I will justly and uprightly demean myself, according to the laws and according to the “Georgia Indigent Defense Act of 2003”, as an attorney, counselor, and public defender. I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, or of any other state, or of any foreign country which I am prohibited by the laws of the State of Georgia from holding. I am qualified to hold this office according to the Constitution and laws of Georgia, and I will support and defend the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Georgia.

So help me God.

This _____ Day of _____, 200__.

A Recent Law School Graduate

Oath witnessed and
administered by:

Judge, _____ Court
_____ Circuit

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ORDER

WHEREAS, the above-named recent law school graduate meets the qualifications of Supreme Court Rule 97 et seq., as evidenced by the Supreme Court Certificate, and has been administered an Oath as required by Supreme Court Rule 101.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this graduate may assist as a public defender in any and all criminal or juvenile proceedings within this county (or judicial circuit, if applicable) as if admitted and licensed to practice law in this State provided that this graduate performs these tasks under the supervision of the Circuit Public Defender or one of his or her duly appointed assistants, and further provided that all pleadings and other entries of record shall be signed by the Circuit Public Defender or one of his or her duly appointed assistants, and in the conduct of a trial or other criminal proceeding, the Circuit Public Defender or one of his or her duly appointed assistants shall be physically present.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the authority of this graduate to practice as a public defender as herein provided extends until the results of his or her first bar examination has been published; provided, however, that if during this period this graduate's application for fitness to the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants has been denied, then the authority of this graduate to practice as a public defender as herein provided is terminated and revoked, and this Order is null and void.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order, together with a copy of the Supreme Court Certificate and a copy of the graduate's Oath shall be filed by this graduate with the Clerk of Court.

SO ORDERED this _____ day of _____, 200__.

Judge, _____ Court

Circuit