Rule 702. Board of Admissions to the Bar

(a) The Board of Admissions to the Bar shall oversee the administration of all aspects of bar admissions in this State including the character and fitness process. The Board shall consist of seven members of the bar, appointed by the Supreme Court to serve staggered terms of three years. Each member shall serve until his or her successor is duly appointed and qualified. No member may be appointed to more than three full consecutive terms. In addition, the Supreme Court shall appoint a dean of a law school located in Illinois as a nonvoting, *ex officio* member of the Board. The law school dean *ex officio* member shall serve a single term of three years.

(b) A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum. A president and vice-president shall be designated by the Supreme Court and may serve only one three-year term. A secretary and treasurer shall be annually elected by the members of the board. One member may hold the office of both secretary and treasurer.

(c) The Board shall appoint, with the approval of the Supreme Court, a Director of Administration to serve as the Board's principal executive officer. The Director of Administration, with the Board's approval, may hire sufficient staff as necessary to assist the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities.

(d) The Board shall audit annually the accounts of its treasurer and shall report to the Court at each November term a detailed statement of its finances, together with such recommendations as shall seem advisable. All fees paid to the Board in excess of its expenses shall be applied as the Court may from time to time direct.

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