

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

IN RE: COMMITTEE ON BAR
ADMISSIONS CFN-665798

No. 2022-BA-01693

IN RE: Confidential Party - Applicant Other;

May 23, 2024

Writ of mandamus granted in part and denied in part. See per curiam.

JTG
JDH
SJC
WJC
JBM
PDG

Weimer, C.J., dissents and assigns reasons.

Supreme Court of Louisiana
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Chief Deputy Clerk of Court
For the Court

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

NO. 2022-BA-1693

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PER CURIAM

Supreme Court Rule XVII requires that all applicants for admission to the bar of this state must pass the essay portion of the bar examination (Part I of the bar exam) as well as the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam, which is administered by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (Part II of the bar exam). Supreme Court Rule XVII, § 8(C) provides that a passing score on both Part I and Part II of the bar exam “shall be valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of the examination.”

Petitioner’s scores on both Part I and Part II are expired. However, because petitioner’s score on Part I was valid at the time he filed his application for a commissioner, we find it timely.

Petitioner’s score on Part II was expired at the time he applied for a commissioner. Therefore, we find the five-year limitation as to Part II expired. Petitioner must retake and successfully pass Part II in order to be eligible for admission.

DECREE

For the reasons assigned, the petition is granted in part and denied in part. The time requirement of Supreme Court Rule XVII, § 8(C) as to Part II expired. Petitioner is not eligible for admission until he successfully passes Part II.