

Rule 3. Continuing Legal Education Requirement

~~Commencing with calendar year 1990, Commencing with calendar year 2004, each attorney admitted to practice in this state shall complete, during each two-calendar year period, a minimum of 24 hours of accredited continuing legal education which shall include a minimum of 3 hours of accredited ethics or professional responsibility as defined in Rule 4. In addition, each attorney shall complete within each two-calendar year period a minimum of 3 hours of accredited ethics or professional responsibility.~~

Inactive members of the Bar, as defined in Rule 7, shall not be subject to the requirements of this rule.

A member who fulfills the requirements of the New Lawyer Continuing Legal Education Program, ~~as prescribed in Rule Fifteen of the Rules of Admission,~~ shall be deemed to have satisfied the accredited continuing legal education requirements of this rule for the reporting period ending December 31 of the second complete year following the member's year of admission. ~~(e.g., a member admitted in October 1990 would be expected to complete the New Lawyer Continuing Legal Education program by December 31, 1991 and will thereby satisfy the mandatory continuing legal education requirements through December 31, 1992).~~ New admittees admitted under the "Full Exam" status will meet their first two-year requirement through the NLCLE program.

(a) "NLCLE" seminar which is given at least annually.

(b) Twelve credit hours of approved live "NLCLE" workshops sponsored by the Utah State Bar.

(c) Twelve credit hours of approved continuing legal education.

A member who fulfills the requirements by Admission on Motion, as prescribed in Rule Five of the Rules of Admission, shall be deemed to have satisfied the accredited continuing legal education requirements of this rule for the reporting period ending December 31 of the second complete calendar year following the member's year of admission.

(a) Complete and certify no later than six (6) months following the Applicant's admission that he or she has attended at least fifteen (15) hours of continuing legal education on Utah practice and procedure and ethics requirements.

(b) The Board of Bar Commissioners may by regulation specify the number of the required fifteen (15) hours that must be in particular areas of practice, procedure and ethics. Included in this mandatory fifteen (15) hours is attendance at the Bar's OPC Ethics School. This class is offered twice a year and provides six (6) credit hours.

(c) The remaining nine (9) credit hours must be made up of Utah's New Lawyer Continuing Legal Education ("NLCLE") courses.

(d) Twelve (12) of the fifteen (15) hours may be completed through self-study by access to Utah's on-line education system.

(e) The above fifteen (15) hours will apply towards the twenty-four (24) hours required per two-year compliance period.

(f) Continuing Legal Education("CLE") credit may be awarded for out of state activities that in the determination of the Board of Mandatory Continuing Legal Education ("MCLE Board") meet certain standards in furthering an attorney's legal education. Whether to accredit such activities and the number of hours of credit to allow for such activities shall be determined by the MCLE Board. Activities that may be regarded as equivalent to state-sponsored CLE may include, but are not limited to, viewing of approved continuing legal education videotapes, writing and publishing an article in a legal periodical, part-time teaching in an Approved Law School, or delivering a paper or speech on a professional subject at a meeting primarily attended by lawyers, legal assistants, or law students. Application by a member of the Bar for accreditation of a CLE activity must be submitted in writing to the MCLE Board. Out-of-state activities cannot substitute for the fifteen (15) mandatory CLE hours described in 5-4(b) and (c) above.