

August 1, 2017

Dear NSU Law Alumni:

Since 2008, the Shepard Broad College of Law at NSU has hosted a biennial trip to the Supreme Court of the United States to move our alumni for admission to the United States Supreme Court bar. It is truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience to join with your fellow alumni and experience the Supreme Court as one of its attorney members.

Please join me at our upcoming swearing in program. The Supreme Court session will be on the morning of Monday, March 19, 2018. We will gather for a small reception Sunday evening and hold breakfast at the Supreme Court prior to having the swearing-in ceremony. Those in attendance will then be able to stay for Oral Argument.

The number of seats available for those attending is highly limited. In most cases, we will also be able to accommodate one additional guest.

To qualify for admission to the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States, an applicant:

- Must have been admitted to practice in the highest court of a U.S. jurisdiction for a period of at least three years immediately before the date of application;
- Must not have been the subject of any adverse disciplinary action pronounced or in effect during that three-year period; and
- Must appear to the Court to be of good moral and professional character.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Alumni Director, Laura Dietz at ldietz@nova.edu or (954) 262-6303. You will find information about the application on the Supreme Court website or the NSU Law alumni page. Ms. Dietz will also be providing hotel and reception information as we get closer to the date.

Space is highly limited, and we accept participants on a first-come basis until all seats are filled. I encourage you to complete the application and submit all paperwork to the NSU Law Alumni Office as soon as possible, but in any event, not later than the deadline of September 29, 2017. Partial or incomplete applications will not hold your space.

The swearing in is always one of the highlights of the year. I look forward to spending time with you at it in Washington, D.C. in March.

Sincerely,



Jon M. Garon
Dean and Professor of Law

Admission to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, DC

Monday, March 19, 2018

Join Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law for its sixth biennial trip to Washington, DC, and be admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States.

NSU Law alumni nationwide are eligible for admission to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States; however, space is extremely limited.

Candidates who meet the application requirements and deadlines will be sworn in on Monday, March 19, 2018.

The chance to stand before the nine justices of the Court is sure to be one of the highlights of your legal career.

Sharing this opportunity with other NSU Law alumni makes this an exceptionally unique event.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Group Admission is handled by Laura Dietz, Director of Alumni Relations, who will act as the agent with the Supreme Court. 954 262 6303 LDietz@nova.edu

Candidates will meet at the Court on the date of admission to have breakfast at the court, which is complimentary for the candidates. **Each candidate may invite one guest for breakfast at the cost of \$37.**

All candidates for admission must do the following:

1. Complete the Application for Admission online (typed only) available at: <http://www.supremecourt.gov/bar/barapplication.pdf>
2. Obtain the Florida (or other state) Supreme Court Certificate in Good Standing from the highest court in the state in which they are admitted to practice.
3. Complete the Registration & Contact form
4. Write a check for \$200 payable to "Supreme Court of the United States" post-dated for March 19, 2018 **(Include with application to NSU Law, do not mail separately to Supreme Court).**
5. Write a check payable to "NSU Law" for \$37 if you want to bring a guest to breakfast
6. Send or deliver items 1-4, check for breakfast guest (if applicable) form to:
NSU Law – Alumni Relations Director,
3305 College Avenue, Room 118,
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

Deadline: September 29, 2017 - no email, fax or electronic transmission is accepted. You must submit original paperwork.

- Space is extremely limited for this admissions group; send your paperwork in early. Please allow 2-3 weeks to obtain the Certificate in Good Standing.
- Each Candidate being admitted to the Court can bring only one (1) Guest into the Courtroom to witness the swearing-in ceremony. Children under age six (6) are *not* admitted into the Courtroom for the ceremony. Guests are admitted at the Court's discretion and, on some occasions, may not be permitted to stay for oral argument, if there is oral argument that day. No recording technology allowed in the Courtroom. Complimentary group photo will be provided by NSU College of Law.
- Candidates must make their own travel, airline, hotel reservations. Do not make any reservations until you receive confirmation by email that your packet was received and approved. A special rate at a nearby hotel has been arranged; the rate and the registration link will be provided with your confirmation email.
- Will need two (2) signatures from sponsors who are already sworn into the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States and who are not related to you (we can assist if you do not know anyone)
- You must send the paperwork to NSU Law to be admitted with the Group –send nothing to the Court
- Do not staple. Use paper clips.

Supreme Court of the United States

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE BAR

Attached is the application form for your personal statement, as required by Supreme Court Rule 5.2, including space for endorsement by two sponsors. The sponsors must be members of the Bar of this Court who know you personally and are **not** related to you by blood or marriage. **One of the sponsors or another member of the Bar, including a relative, may move your admission.** Please indicate the name you want shown on the certificate which may or may not include a middle name and/or suffix.

You must obtain a **certificate of good standing from the presiding judge, clerk, or other authorized official of the highest court** of a State, Commonwealth, Territory or Possession, or of the District of Columbia, evidencing the fact that you have been a member of the Bar of such court for at least three years and are in good standing. An application will be considered current for one year from the date of the clerk's certificate. After that time the papers will be returned. **Do not submit a Bar Association certificate in place of the clerk's certificate, or a duplicate of a certificate of good standing.**

Supreme Court Rule 5 provides, in part:

1. To qualify for admission to the Bar of this Court, an applicant must have been admitted to practice in the highest court of a State, Commonwealth, Territory or Possession, or the District of Columbia for a period of at least three years immediately before the date of application; must not have been the subject of any adverse disciplinary action pronounced or in effect during that 3-year period; and must appear to the Court to be of good moral and professional character.

2. Each applicant shall file with the Clerk (1) a certificate from the presiding judge, clerk, or other authorized official of that court evidencing the applicant's admission to practice there and the applicant's current good standing, and (2) a completely executed copy of the form approved by this Court and furnished by the Clerk containing (a) the applicant's personal statement, and (b) the statement of two sponsors endorsing the correctness of the applicant's statement, stating that the applicant possesses all the qualifications required for admission, and affirming that the applicant is of good moral and professional character. Both sponsors must be members of the Bar of this Court who personally know, but are not related to, the applicant.

3. If the documents submitted demonstrate that the applicant possesses the necessary qualifications, and if the applicant has signed the oath or affirmation and paid the required fee, the Clerk will notify the applicant of acceptance by the Court as a member of the Bar and issue a certificate of admission. An applicant who so wishes may be admitted in open court on oral motion by a member of the Bar of this Court, provided that all other requirements for admission have been satisfied.

4. Each applicant shall sign the following oath or affirmation: I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that as an attorney and as a counselor of this Court, I will conduct myself uprightly and according to law, and that I will support the Constitution of the United States.

All original signatures must be on one page together.

IF YOU ELECT TO BE ADMITTED ON WRITTEN MOTION, without coming to the Court, please execute the Motion For Admission by having the attorney whose name you wish to appear on your certificate sign as the moving party. The attorney whose name you wish to appear on your certificate must be a member of the Bar of this Court and may be a relative. Return to the Clerk's Office, Attn: Admissions Office, your completed application, the required certificate, and a check for \$200 payable to "U. S. Supreme Court" to cover the admission fee.

**All paperwork must be
returned to**

NSU Law for large group submission

IF YOU ELECT TO BE ADMITTED IN OPEN COURT, do not complete the written Motion For Admission. Return your application and the required certificate to this Office, and we will notify you whether the papers are in order and will provide instruction for being admitted in open court. The \$200 fee is to be paid on the day of admission.

All paperwork must be returned to NSU Law for large group submission

BAR CERTIFICATE. The Certificate evidencing admission to the Bar of this Court contains the following words: “. . . in the year of our Lord, two thousand.” An alternate Certificate is available that omits the underlined words. If you want an alternate Certificate, check the block on the application form.

Admissions Office:
202-479-3387
ptadmit@supremecourt.gov

**All paperwork must be returned
to NSU Law for large group
submission**

Patricia A. Hagan, Clerk
Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States
Attn: Admissions Office
1 First Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20543-0001

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Question: How do I get a Florida Supreme Court Certificate of Good Standing?

Answer: Send a letter to the Florida Supreme Court Clerk’s Office requesting the certificate. You should include your name, Florida Bar number and a self-addressed stamped envelope or Overnight envelope for return of the certificate. The fee for a certificate is \$7.00 per certificate. Checks should be made payable to the “Clerk, Florida Supreme Court.”

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING FROM THE FLORIDA BAR IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

IT MUST BE FROM THE FLORIDA SUPREME COURT.

Please send the request to:

Florida Supreme Court
Attention: Clerk’s Office
500 South Duval Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1927

Registration and Contact Form

Complete all paperwork, enclose proper check(s) and deliver to:
 NSU – Shepard Broad College of Law
 Attn: Laura Dietz, Director of Alumni Relations
 3305 College Avenue Room 118 , Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

Do not staple. Use paper clips. **Incomplete packets will not be accepted, will not hold your space, and will be returned to sender. Availability is extremely limited. Reservations are confirmed on a first come, first served basis.**

Candidate Information

Candidate Name: (First, Last)	
Class Year:	
Phone:	Cell: _____ Work: _____
Email Address:	

Guest Information Only one (1) guest is permitted into the Supreme Courtroom to witness the swearing-in ceremony, at the Court’s discretion. Children under age six (6) are not allowed. Your guest may attend breakfast with you at the Supreme Court for \$37. Candidate breakfast is complimentary. Complimentary group photo will be provided by NSU College of Law.

Guest Name: (First, Last) as listed on government ID:	
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Payment Information

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| \$200 | Candidate Admission Ceremony. Postdated to March 19, 2018.
Payable to: “Supreme Court of the United States” (required) |
| \$ 37 | Supreme Court Guest Breakfast. Payable to: “NSU College of Law” & note “Breakfast Guest” on check |

Direct Questions to Laura Dietz at (954) 262-6303 or LDietz@nova.edu