

**PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT  
TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE  
SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW  
STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE (“SSC”)**

**N.B. ALL DECISIONS OF THE SSC ARE FINAL AND NOT APPEALABLE**

**YOU MUST MEET WITH THE ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING YOUR PETITION. PLEASE COMPLETE THE GRADE POINT AVERAGE CALCULATION TO ANSWER QUESTION 12 (C) PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.<sup>1</sup>**

1. Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Your NSU “N” number: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Your NSU e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Your preferred phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

5. To have a student representative participate in the committee meeting regarding your petition, you must waive your privacy rights. Generally speaking, it is to your advantage to have the student representative participate in the process. As a result, if you decide to waive your rights, we encourage you to contact the student representative to explain your situation face-to-face.

Please check one of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ I waive my right to privacy and request that the SBA president (or a student he or she designates) read and vote on my petition.

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not waive my right to privacy and I do not want to have the SBA president (or a student he or she designates) read and vote on my petition.

6. Your school year (i.e., are you a 1L, 2L, 3L, or 4L?): \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you a Full-Time or Part-Time student? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Your cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> The GPA Average Calculation form is on the [Student Forms](#) Tab on the Student Services page of the law school website.

9. Your semester-by-semester GPA (i.e., the GPA you earned each semester in law school):

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| First Semester:  | Fifth Semester:   |
| Second Semester: | Sixth Semester:   |
| Third Semester:  | Seventh Semester: |
| Fourth Semester: | Eighth Semester:  |

**Note: YOU MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR COMPLETE NSU TRANSCRIPT.**

10. After which semester of law school were you dismissed? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Prior to your current dismissal, were you ever dismissed from any law school (including NSU)? Please check one of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes

\_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please provide complete details (including dates):

Note: A student may submit only one petition for reinstatement while at the College of Law. However, a student who is readmitted as a first year student may submit one petition for reinstatement even if he or she had submitted one petition for reinstatement during his or her prior admission at the College of Law.

12. Section 4.5 of the Code of Academic Regulations provides that:

For a petition for reinstatement to be granted by the Student Services Committee, the petition must demonstrate that (a) the student's poor academic performance was a result of extenuating circumstances outside of the student's control (such as serious illness, unusual hardship, or qualitatively similar circumstances), (b) the extenuating circumstances that caused the student's poor academic performance have been fully resolved and no longer exist, and (c) given one more semester, the student will be able to attain (and maintain thereafter) the requisite GPA.

To help the SAC decide your petition, please answer the following three questions (using as much space as necessary). Note: Complete candor and truthfulness is expected and the SSC reserves the right to verify each and every statement.

A) What extenuating circumstances outside your control caused your poor academic performance? Note: Generally speaking, the SSC interprets “extenuating circumstances” as circumstances that you could not reasonably anticipate, avoid, or mitigate.

B) Have the extenuating circumstances identified above been resolved so that they no longer exist? Please check one of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes

\_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please describe how they have been resolved and why they are unlikely to recur in the future.

C) Assuming you are reinstated, what GPA will you need to earn next semester to avoid future dismissal? (Note: Students must attain a cumulative grade point average of a 2.00 or above after their first semester of law school in order to avoid dismissal. However, you should check Section 4 of the Code of Academic Regulations and with Student Servicers to determine exactly what you will need.): \_\_\_\_\_

13. Is there anything else you would like the SSC to know or consider about your circumstances?

***You may submit any relevant documentation that supports your petition (e.g., medical evaluations, diagnostic reports, letters of recommendation, etc.). However, attaching documentation that is not directly relevant to your petition is extremely discouraged.***

The foregoing information is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner