BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

DECLARATION ACKNOWLEDGING FEBRUARY 2023 NORTH CAROLINA BAR EXAMINATION COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant for the February 2023 North Carolina bar examination must execute the following Declaration (initial each paragraph, sign, and date the form) and upload it to the applicant's secure portal account on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on February 2, 2023. If an applicant does not execute and upload this form by the deadline, the applicant will not be permitted to sit for the examination.

- 1. I acknowledge that I must complete the following forms:
 - Declaration Acknowledging February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination COVID-19 Requirements
 - February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination Regulations and Code of Conduct
 - Incomplete Application Declaration (if applicable)

These forms will be posted to my secure portal account. I must complete and upload these forms on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on FEBRUARY 2, 2023. If I do not complete and upload these forms by the deadline, I will not receive an Admission Ticket and I will not be permitted to sit for the examination.

- 2. I acknowledge that the North Carolina Board of Law Examiners ("Board") recommends that I familiarize myself with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance regarding best practices to protect myself and others from COVID-19 and follow this guidance throughout the administration of the February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination.
 - 3. I acknowledge that the Board recommends that I be up-to-date with the COVID-19 vaccines.
- 4. I acknowledge that the Board recommends that I wear a protective face covering during the administration of the examination, including check-in and check-out.
- 5. I acknowledge that the Board recommends that I bring my own clear plastic water bottle, for my personal use during the examination. The water bottle may be any color and any size but must be completely clear so that a proctor or staff member can see through the bottle or container. The bottle or container may not have any design or writing on it. Communal water dispensers will not be available.
- 6. I acknowledge that the Board recommends that I bring my own hand-sanitizer, for my personal use during the administration of the examination. It may be of any size but must be in its original manufacturer container.
- 7. I acknowledge that the Board recommends that I maintain social distancing throughout the administration of the February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination.

- 8. I acknowledge that I am required to follow CDC guidance in effect at the time of the examination for quarantine, isolation, testing requirements, and travel restrictions applicable to my COVID-19 vaccination status.
- 9. I acknowledge that <u>if I test positive for COVID-19 on or after February 15, 2023, I may</u> <u>not attend the February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination</u>, regardless of my vaccination status.
- I acknowledge that <u>if I have symptoms of COVID-19 on or after February 15, 2023, I may</u> not attend the February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination (regardless of my vaccination status) <u>unless I show proof at check-in for the exam of a Nucleic Acid</u> Amplification Test (NAAT) or Antigen Test for SARS-CoV-2 performed on or after February 19, 2023, showing that I am negative for COVID-19. I acknowledge that the test must be administered in a laboratory or point-of-care setting, and that home tests will not be accepted.
- 11. I acknowledge that I will be required to certify the information in paragraphs 9 and 10 above, at check-in each day of the examination.
 - 12. I acknowledge that I must report to the Board staff if I develop symptoms of COVID-19 (including fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, new loss of sense of taste or smell, sore throat, nausea, or vomiting) during the administration of the examination.
- 13. I acknowledge that if I become symptomatic while present at the examination site during the February 2023 North Carolina Bar Examination, the following steps will be taken:
 - My examination will be ended.
 - Once my examination materials have been collected, I will be required to leave the examination building.
- 14. I understand there exists an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 in any place where people are present. I agree to comply with all health and safety measures implemented by the Board to reduce the risk of COVID-19 exposure and transmission during the examination administration.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge and that I will abide by the requirements outlined in this Declaration. I acknowledge that violating any of the above COVID-19 requirements for the February 2023 North Carolina bar examination will be considered a disregard for the rights, safety, and welfare of others and will constitute a character and fitness issue to be reviewed by the North Carolina Board of Law Examiners.

Applicant Signature

Date