

SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

Florida Board of Bar Examiners, Re: P.A.B.

224 So. 3d 717 (Fla. 2017) · Decided August 29, 2017

SUMMARY

The Supreme Court of Florida approved the Florida Board of Bar Examiners' recommendation to admit P.A.B. to The Florida Bar subject to five years of probation. The conditions included sobriety and substance-abuse monitoring, participation in assistance programs, residence requirements, reporting obligations, and potential suspension or termination of the license for violations.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Florida
JURISDICTION	Florida
DECIDED	August 29, 2017
DISPOSITION	approved
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The Supreme Court of Florida considered the Florida Board of Bar Examiners' report and recommendation concerning P.A.B.'s admission to The Florida Bar and approved admission subject to specified conditions.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published precedential opinion

TOPICS

administrative law agency adjudication judicial review of agency action

PRACTICE AREAS

administrative law professional licensing legal ethics and attorney discipline

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the Florida Board of Bar Examiners' recommendation for P.A.B.'s admission should be approved.
2. What conditions should govern P.A.B.'s admission and probationary license to practice law.

HOLDINGS

1. The Court approved the Board's recommendation and ordered that P.A.B. be admitted to The Florida Bar subject to a five-year probationary license and the conditions set forth in the order.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Upon consideration of the Report and Recommendation filed by the Florida Board of Bar Examiners, it is ordered that the Board’s recommendation is approved by the Court and P.A.B. shall be admitted to The Florida Bar subject to the following conditions:” (717)

“A failure to observe the conditions of the probation or a finding of probable cause as to conduct of the applicant committed during the period of probation may terminate the probation and subject the applicant to all available grievance procedures and disciplinary sanctions including disbarment under the Rules of Discipline.” (719)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The Florida Board of Bar Examiners submitted a report and recommendation concerning P.A.B.'s admission to The Florida Bar. The applicant executed a consent agreement requiring documented sobriety and compliance with monitoring and other conditions, and the Court approved conditional admission based on that recommendation.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Florida Board of Bar Examiners filed a report and recommendation based on a consent agreement. The Supreme Court of Florida approved the recommendation and ordered that P.A.B. be admitted to The Florida Bar subject to five years of probation and additional conditions.

DISPOSITION

approved

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