

SUPREME COURT OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Reinstatement of Colin Richard Barrett to Membership in the Oklahoma Bar Association and to the Roll of Attorneys

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SUMMARY

The Oklahoma Supreme Court granted Colin Richard Barrett's petition for reinstatement to membership in the Oklahoma Bar Association and to the roll of attorneys. The Court found that Barrett satisfied the applicable procedural requirements and established that he had not engaged in unauthorized practice, possessed the required legal competency, and demonstrated good moral character. Reinstatement was conditioned on payment of \$257.20 in proceeding costs and \$1,275.00 in past and current dues within 90 days.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Oklahoma
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Kane, V.C.J.; Kauger, J.; Winchester, J.; Edmondson, J.; Gurich, J.; Rowe, J.; Kuehn, J.; Darby, C.J.; Combs, J.
JURISDICTION	Oklahoma
DECIDED	December 7, 2021
DOCKET	SCBD-7083
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Barrett petitioned the Supreme Court of Oklahoma for reinstatement to membership in the Oklahoma Bar Association and the roll of attorneys after having been stricken from the roll. The Professional Responsibility Tribunal held a hearing and recommended reinstatement subject to payment of outstanding dues.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published Oklahoma Supreme Court opinion
PARTIES	Colin Richard Barrett v. Oklahoma Bar Association

TOPICS

appellate procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

professional responsibility

bar admission and reinstatement

attorney discipline

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether Barrett satisfied the procedural and substantive requirements for reinstatement under Rule 11 of the Rules Governing Disciplinary Proceedings.
2. Whether reinstatement should be granted subject to payment of costs and past and current bar dues.

HOLDINGS

1. Barrett established by clear and convincing evidence that he satisfied the procedural requirements for reinstatement, had not engaged in the unauthorized practice of law, possessed the competency and learning required for reinstatement, and possessed the requisite good moral character.
2. Reinstatement should be granted, but it is conditioned on payment of \$257.20 in proceeding costs and \$1,275.00 in past and current dues within 90 days of the order.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“The petitioner has established by clear and convincing evidence that he possesses the good moral character which would entitle him to be reinstated to the Oklahoma Bar Association.” (¶ 1)

“Costs and dues shall be paid within 90 days of the date of this order and reinstatement is conditioned upon such payment.” (¶ 3)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Colin Richard Barrett was stricken from the Oklahoma roll of attorneys on June 11, 2018. He petitioned for reinstatement on July 8, 2021, and the Professional Responsibility Tribunal conducted a hearing. The Supreme Court found that Barrett satisfied the procedural requirements for reinstatement, had not engaged in the unauthorized practice of law, possessed the required competency and legal learning, and demonstrated good moral character.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Barrett was stricken from the roll of attorneys on June 11, 2018. He filed a reinstatement petition on July 8, 2021. After a Professional Responsibility Tribunal hearing on October 5, 2021, the tribunal recommended reinstatement upon payment of outstanding current and past dues. The Supreme Court granted reinstatement subject to payment of specified costs and dues within 90 days.

DISPOSITION

other

