

Delaware Supreme Court Amends Supreme Court Rules and Board of Bar Examiners Rules Relating to Limited Permission to Practice in Certain Public Programs.

By an order dated May 8, 2023, the Delaware Supreme Court has amended Delaware Supreme Court Rule 55 and Board of Bar Examiners Rules 45, 47-49, and 51. Supreme Court Rule 55 and the Board of Bar Examiners rules implementing that rule allow law school graduates to gain practical experience through the limited practice of law in certain public programs, under the supervision of a Delaware lawyer. The amendments expand the circumstances under which persons associated with the Public Defender's Office may engage in limited practice under the rules, in alignment with the rules' applicability to persons associated with other public programs, while recognizing and protecting the legal right to counsel that applies to many clients of the Public Defender's Office. The rule amendments are effective immediately and are available on the [Court's website](#).

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