

## **Delaware Supreme Court Amends Delaware Supreme Court Rule 69**

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By an order dated May 15, 2018, the Delaware Supreme Court has amended Supreme Court Rule 69. These amendments are effective June 1, 2018. The rule amendments are available on the [Court's website](#).

Rule 69 was amended to address the recurring problem of attorneys who fail to file their registration statements and pay their registration fees in a timely manner. In addition to changing when late fees are imposed, amended Rule 69(j) provides that an attorney who fails to file a registration statement and to pay the registration fee and all late fees by April 15<sup>th</sup> will be deemed administratively suspended from the practice of law. A lawyer who has been administratively suspended under Rule 69(j) can obtain retroactive reinstatement by filing a registration statement and paying the registration fee, plus all accumulated late fees, on or before July 1<sup>st</sup>. Any lawyer who fails to seek reinstatement by July 1<sup>st</sup> must petition for reinstatement under Rule 22 of Disciplinary Procedure.

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