

Rule 709

CRIMINAL ACTION

- (a) **Pending Criminal Action.** A person who has a pending criminal action is not eligible to apply for admission, to take the bar examination, or to be admitted to the Kansas bar.
- (b) **Diversion; Finding of Guilt.**
 - (1) **Period of Ineligibility.** A person who has participated in a diversion or has been found guilty of a crime is not eligible to apply for admission, to take the bar examination, or to be admitted to the Kansas bar until the person has satisfied one of the following.
 - (A) **Felony Crime.** If the crime was classified as a felony, the person is not eligible until five years after the date the person completed any sentence, period of probation or parole, or term of diversion.
 - (B) **Other Crime.** If the crime was not classified as a felony, the person is not eligible until the person has completed any sentence, period of probation or parole, or term of diversion.
 - (2) **No Exceptions.** The period of ineligibility applies to any person who has participated in a diversion or similar program or has been found guilty of a crime, including when any of the following circumstances exist:
 - (A) the person was a minor at the time of the crime;
 - (B) a court sealed the record or expunged the conviction or adjudication; or
 - (C) the case involved a plea agreement.
 - (3) **Required Documentation.** When applying for admission, an applicant must provide all information requested about the crime, including documentation establishing the following:
 - (A) the period of ineligibility has ended; and
 - (B) the applicant has paid in full any restitution ordered and complied with all special conditions imposed.

[History: New rule adopted effective July 1, 2022.]