

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT U. S. DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

JAN 17 1989

ORDER ON ADMISSION OF ATTORNEYS MURRAY L. HARRIS, CLERK

It is ORDERED that:

By Deputy *Joy Vandiver*

A.

Any member in good standing of the State Bar of Texas who is a resident of or maintains an office in the Eastern District of Texas, and any attorney not residing within this District, if a member in good standing of the Bar of the United States District Court for the District of his or her residence or in which he or she maintains an office, may be admitted to the Bar of this Court if said applicant is of good personal and professional character and is competent to practice in this Court.

B.

For the purpose of examining into and reporting on the fitness, competency, and qualifications of all applicants for admission to the Bar of this Court, there is hereby created for each Division of the Court, where the Court shall deem necessary, a committee of three or more members of the Bar of this Court, to be appointed by the Judges of this Court as a standing committee for such purpose. One member of such committee shall be designated Chairman. When any application is filed, the Clerk shall make a record of same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and the applicant shall refer copies of the application to the Committee on Admission to Practice by letter addressed to the Chairman and any two members of the Committee.

Applicant shall attach to the application, as exhibits, three letters or signed statements of members of the Bar (one of such letters preferably being from the President of the Local Bar of the applicant, and the remaining letters or statements from members of this Bar, if known to the applicant, or the Bar of any United States District Court), which letters or statements must specifically state

1. That the writer is not related to the applicant;
2. That the applicant is personally known to the writer;
3. The Courts to which the writer has been admitted;
4. That the applicant is competent to practice in this Court and possesses all the qualifications required for admission to the Bar of this Court;
5. That applicant's personal and professional character and standing are good.

Attach to the application a photostatic copy of applicant's State Bar Card showing the applicant to be in good standing for the current year. The attorney's bar card number is required in conjunction with original signature on all documents filed in this district.

C.

The Committee selected shall, in such manner as they may deem proper, at once make an investigation of the fitness, competency and qualifications of the applicant and the Chairman shall file a letter with the Clerk showing the result of such investigation within thirty (30) days thereafter, unless the Court may extend such time for further investigation. After the Chairman files a letter with his recommendation, the applicant may, either with or without further hearing before a Judge of the Court, be admitted or denied admission to the Bar of this Court. When so admitted, the applicant shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25), of which \$20.00 shall be transmitted by the Clerk to the Treasury of the United States, and the remainder placed in the United States District Court Special Fund to be expended under order of the Court for library, maintenance, and for other purposes related to the Court within the discretion of the Chief Judge or a majority of the Judges of the Court.

When so admitted, the applicant shall subscribe the roll in the office of the Clerk, after having taken either the oath or affirmation of the following tenor:

"I do solemnly swear (affirm) that I will demean myself as an attorney and counselor of this Court according to the best of my ability and learning and with all good fidelity as well to the Court as to the client; that I will use no falsehood nor delay any person's cause for lucre or malice, and that I will support the Constitution of the United States. So help me, God,"

after which he shall be issued a Certificate. Attorneys who have failed to appear to be sworn the oath one year from approval by the Committee will be required to reapply for admissions to the District. The Clerk shall keep at each Division of the Court a complete list of all attorneys who have been admitted to practice before the Court.

D.

An attorney who is not admitted to practice before this Court may appear for, or represent, a party in any case in this Court only by permission of the Judge before whom the case is pending. When an attorney who is not a member of the Bar of this Court appears in any case before this Court, he or she shall first present to the Judge before whom the case is pending a motion requesting permission to appear in said cause, and an Order shall be entered by the Court, granting or denying such permission.

E.

When an attorney who has not been admitted and who does not reside or maintain an office in this District first appears

in any case before this Court, he shall designate as co-counsel a member of the Bar of this Court who resides or maintains an office in this District, or shall request leave to appear in such case without associating local counsel. Such request shall be by written motion filed and presented to the Judge before whom such case is pending. The Judge may deny such request, or grant same, with or without conditions. If such request is not granted upon failure to associate local counsel within twenty (20) days, the appearance of such non-resident attorney and any pleadings filed by said attorney may be stricken by the Judge upon his own motion, or the Judge may take such other actions as he may in his discretion deem appropriate.

The Order rescinds the Order of this Court entered on the 25th day of February, 1985.

FOR THE COURT:


WILLIAM WAYNE JUSTICE
Chief Judge

DATED January 9, 1989