

**STATE OF MAINE BOARD OF EXAMINERS**  
**CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER**

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552a (the Federal Privacy Act of 1974) and 42 U.S.C. § 405(c)(2)(C)(i), disclosure of your Social Security number for State tax administration purposes is mandatory. Section 175 of Title 36 of the Maine Revised Statutes requires the Maine Board of Bar Examiners to report the Social Security number of each applicant seeking admission to the Maine bar to the Maine State Tax Assessor in order that the Tax Assessor may make a determination of failure to fulfill tax return or payment obligations. An unfulfilled tax obligation may result in denial of admission to the Maine bar. The Maine Board of Bar Examiners will treat your Social Security number as confidential tax information pursuant to Section 191 of Title 36 of the Maine Revised Statutes.

Disclosure of your Social Security number is voluntary for the purposes of expediting completion of the character review required by Rule 9 of the Maine Bar Admission Rules. Your written authorization of the disclosure of your Social Security number for character review purposes helps the Maine Board of Bar Examiners and its employees and agents, including the National Conference of Bar Examiners, avoid errors of identity that may cause problems and delay in Maine bar certification and licensing. If you authorize disclosure of your Social Security number for character review purposes, no other disclosure will be made of your Social Security number except for State tax administration purposes as required by statute.

**AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT**

I, (Name) \_\_\_\_\_, born (Date of Birth) \_\_\_\_\_,  
born at (City) \_\_\_\_\_, (State) \_\_\_\_\_, (Country) \_\_\_\_\_,

hereby acknowledge and understand that disclosure of my Social Security number to the Maine State Tax Assessor for tax administration purposes as required by Maine statute and authorized by Federal statute is mandatory. I acknowledge and understand that disclosure of my Social Security number for purposes of expediting the character review process required for Maine bar admission is voluntary. I hereby authorize the Maine Board of Bar Examiners, its employees, and its agents, including the National Conference of Bar Examiners, to disclose my Social Security number to every person, agency, and entity having control of any documents, records, or other information, including credit records, pertaining to me; and I hereby consent to the use of my Social Security number for purposes of the investigation and verification necessary to complete the character review required for admission to the Maine bar. I understand that except for disclosure for character review purposes as authorized by me, no other disclosure shall be made of my Social Security number by the Maine Board of Bar Examiners except as authorized by Maine statute for tax administration purposes.

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Signature of Applicant (Sign in Blue or Black Ink)

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Notary Public (Sign in black ink)

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

Seal or stamp must be affixed to each original.