RULE 11.2
EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT

(a) Minimum Requirement. Each active member of the Bar Association, and other lawyers who are required by the APRs to complete continuing legal education credits, must complete a minimum of 45 credit hours of accredited legal education (as provided in APR 11.4) by December 31 of the last year of the lawyer's three-year reporting period as assigned by the Bar Association. Specific requirements are the following, and are described in Appendix APR 11 - Regulations of the Washington State Board of Mandatory Continuing Legal Education

(1) A lawyer may earn all of the required credit hours, and must earn at least half of the required credits, as live credits, as described in Regulation 103(b) of Appendix APR 11.

(2) A lawyer must earn a minimum of six of the required 45 credit hours of accredited legal education in the area of ethics, as that is defined in Regulation 101(g) of Appendix APR 11.

(3) A lawyer may earn a maximum of one-half of the required credit hours for any reporting period through self-study, as defined in Regulation 103(h) of Appendix APR 11.

(4) A lawyer may earn a maximum of six credit hours annually through pro bono training and service carried out strictly in compliance with Regulation 103(f) of Appendix APR 11.

(5) A lawyer may earn a maximum of six of the required credit hours for any reporting period for participation in law school competitions, moot court, or mock trials programs, as described in Regulation 103(g) of Appendix APR 11.

(b) New Admission. Newly admitted members must complete 45 continuing legal education credits during the four full calendar years after the member's date of admission. Following the new admission period, the member shall complete 45 credits every three years as required by APR 11.2(a).

(c) Carryover of excess earned credits. If a member completes more than the required credits for any one reporting period, up to 15 of the excess credits may be carried forward and applied to that member's education requirement for the next reporting period. Of the 15 credit hours that may be carried forward to the next reporting period, pursuant to sections (a) and (b) of this rule:

(1) A maximum of two credit hours may be applied toward the ethics requirement; and

(2) A maximum of five credit hours may be applied to self-study credits.

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