

**HEARING BEFORE CHARACTER AND FITNESS BOARD**

**(a) Notice.** The Character and Fitness Board may fix a time and place for a hearing on the petition, and Bar Counsel shall serve notice thereof not less than 30 days prior to the hearing upon the Petitioner and upon such other persons as may be determined by Bar Counsel or as ordered by the Character and Fitness Board. Notice of the hearing shall also be published at least once in the Bar's official publication and such other newspaper or periodical as the Character and Fitness Board may direct. Such published notice shall contain a statement that a petition for reinstatement has been filed and shall give the date fixed for the hearing.

**(b) Statement in Support or Opposition.** On or prior to the date of hearing, anyone wishing to do so may file with the Character and Fitness Board a written statement for or against the petition, such statements to set forth factual matters showing that the Petitioner does or does not meet the requirements for reinstatement as set forth in these rules.

**(c) Hearings.** Hearings shall be conducted pursuant to APR 24.1 except to the extent that provisions of APR 25-25.6 conflict with the provisions of APR 24.1, and except that such hearings shall be public.

[Formerly APR 21.4, Adopted effective October 1, 2002; Renumbered as APR 25.4 and amended effective September 1, 2006; January 1, 2014; September 1, 2016; September 1, 2017.]