

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)	
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THE GOVERNMENT LAW)	Administrative Order
ADMISSION PROGRAM)	No. 2026 - <u>32</u>
)	(Amending Administrative
)	Order No. 2025-25)
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On January 29, 2025, the Court issued Administrative Order No. 2025-25 establishing the Government Law Admission Program (GLAP) to further this Court’s goal of increasing the number of lawyers serving the public in government law offices.

After nearly a year since GLAP’s implementation, government law offices desire to access an additional category of lawyers who bring certain subject-matter experience that compliments and enhances the government law practice. In acquiring this subject-matter experience, the lawyer is often previously employed in a nonlawyer role and, therefore, cannot meet the active practice of law requirement for Admission on Motion in Rule 34(e)(1)(A). To fill this gap, it is appropriate to expand GLAP eligibility to this category of lawyers, regardless of whether they are licensed in a reciprocal or non-reciprocal jurisdiction.

Therefore, pursuant to Article 6, Section 3, Constitution of Arizona,

IT IS ORDERED amending Administrative Order No. 2025-25 to reflect changes in rule citations created by recent rule changes, and to amend Paragraphs 5(a), 5(g), 6, 11, and 12, as follows:

5. Eligibility for GLAP Licensure. To be eligible for GLAP licensure, a lawyer must:
 - a. have been admitted by bar examination to practice law in another state or territory of the United States, but the lawyer does not meet the active practice requirement of Rule 34(e)(1)(A);
 - b. hold a juris doctor degree from a law school approved by the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association at the time of graduation;
 - c. submit evidence of a passing score on the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination as it is established in this jurisdiction;
 - d. establish that the lawyer is currently a member in good standing or resigned in good standing in all jurisdictions where admitted, although if the lawyer is not in good standing or did not resign in good standing in all jurisdictions solely because of unpaid mandatory fees or incomplete mandatory continuing legal education requirements and the lawyer has attempted to but cannot cure such deficiencies in the other jurisdiction(s), the Committee on Character and Fitness may evaluate the

circumstances and make a recommendation to the AOC for granting or denying licensure;

- e. establish that the lawyer is not currently subject to lawyer discipline or the subject of a pending disciplinary matter in any jurisdiction;
 - f. establish that the lawyer possesses the character and fitness to practice law in this jurisdiction; and
 - g. submit evidence of successful completion of the course on Arizona law described in Supreme Court Rule 34(i).
6. Application. A lawyer seeking to obtain a GLAP license must file an application approved by the AOC that is the substantial equivalent of an application for admission on motion under Supreme Court Rule 34(e) and must provide:

11. Admission on Motion. A GLAP licensee who, for a minimum of 5 years, practices law in a government law office and who is not currently subject to lawyer discipline or the subject of a pending disciplinary matter in any jurisdiction, is deemed fully admitted to practice law in Arizona under Rule 34(e). Before a GLAP licensee who is currently subject to lawyer discipline or is the subject of a pending disciplinary matter in any jurisdiction may be fully admitted under Rule 34(e), the Committee on Character and Fitness must recommend admission after evaluating the circumstances.
12. Suspension of Rules. Under Supreme Court Rule 26, for good cause shown and in furtherance of justice, the operation of Rule 34(e) or any other rule inconsistent with this Order and suspended only to the extent necessary to allow eligible GLAP licensees to be admitted on motion under Rule 34(e). This suspension remains in effect until further order of this Court.

Dated this 18th day of March, 2026.

FOR THE COURT:

ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER
Chief Justice