

- * 12. **Personal Statements:** Please submit a personal statement of no more than two typewritten pages. The essay should contain information about you and why attending Loyola is important to your life goals. **There are no margin restrictions, and font must be 10 or larger.**

READ CAREFULLY

The questions below are specific to Loyola University Chicago School of Law

The requirements for admission to the Illinois bar are specified in Illinois Supreme Court Rules 701-708. Under these rules, proof of legal studies is made by a certificate issued by the School of Law. In addition, an affidavit of good character and fitness for the practice of law must be submitted by the dean of the law school for each candidate.

Part of the application to the bar is a questionnaire from the Character and Fitness Committee that asks about past incidents involving the law and other authorities. Reports of sufficiently serious matters may result in a request from the Committee to view your application to law school. Discrepancies between the law school application and the Character and Fitness questionnaire or any independent examination of your record may result in an extensive investigation and potentially serious consequences both at the law school and at the bar application stage. Therefore, you are urged to exercise the utmost candor in completing or updating your law school application.

All questions in #13 must be answered. If you are unsure whether to answer "yes" to any subsection, we recommend answering "yes" and fully disclosing all incidents. Failure to answer these questions truthfully and with candor, or failure to notify the Admission Office of any changes to your answers, may result in the revocation of an offer of admission to Loyola or a charge under The Code of Conduct. Furthermore, you may be denied admission to practice by a state if your bar exam application contains facts asked for, but not disclosed, in this application for admission. An affirmative response does not necessarily prejudice your admission to Loyola.

If you answer "yes" to any of the following questions, you *must* provide a complete explanation of the circumstances on a separate sheet. *Include in the explanation(s) the date and year, location, and the circumstances of the violation, and the fine and/or sanctions. You may not provide official documentation in lieu of a written explanation of circumstances.*

After you submit this application, it is your responsibility to update Loyola Chicago School of Law in writing promptly regarding matters that result in changes to any of the responses to these questions. If admitted to Loyola Chicago School of Law, this responsibility continues throughout the time of attendance.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the paragraphs above.

Signature

Please type your FULL NAME if you are filling out this application electronically.

- * 13. a. Were you ever suspended, expelled, placed on probation, either for academic or social reasons, or otherwise disciplined by any college, university, or professional school? Actions arising from allegations of academic dishonesty (including, but not limited to cheating and plagiarism) or any form of behavioral misconduct (including, but not limited to misconduct related to alcohol or substance abuse) must be included. You must include any proceedings that are pending.

Yes ___ No ___

- * b. Were you ever suspended, expelled, placed on probation, or otherwise disciplined by any professional organization or state agency charged with regulating professional conduct, or are any such proceedings pending? This includes but is not limited to having your drivers license suspended.

Yes ___ No ___

- * c. Have you ever been convicted of, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere (no contest) to a criminal offense other than a minor traffic offense, or is any criminal charge now pending against you? Traffic offenses involving the use of drugs or alcohol are not considered minor traffic offenses and must be reported.

Yes ___ No ___

- * d. Have you ever been discharged from military service under conditions other than honorable?

Yes ___ No ___

