

Virginia Board of Law Examiners

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APPLICATION
FOR LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW

I, Howard Eugene Bell, hereby apply to the Virginia Board of Law Examiners for a license to practice law in the State of Virginia, and, as required by the rules of the Board, submit the following information as to my character, qualifications, etc.:

1. (a) I attach a certificate required by Rules 2-(b) from the dean or other official of (state what school) _____

Brooklyn Law School
showing that I have a degree from a law school approved by the American Bar Association; or—

(b) I attach a certificate required by Rule 2-(b) from the dean or other official of (state what school) _____

showing that I have studied law for two years at a law school approved by the American Bar Association; or—

(c) I have heretofore filed the quarterly reports and hereto attach certificate required by Rule 2-(e) 2, showing completion of two years study of law under the supervision of (state what school or attorney) _____

2. (a) I attach certificate from the dean or other official of (state what school) Virginia Union University showing that I have completed a two-year academic college course at an accredited college. (This certificate may be made by the dean or other official of a law school approved by the American Bar Association, if applicant has studied law at such school as a regular student.); or—

(b) I attach evidence which I deem sufficient to show that I have completed the equivalent of a two-year academic course of an accredited college, consisting of the following papers:

3. State Place and Date of Birth Norfolk County, Virginia May 21, 1920

4. Education: (Give a brief summary of all studies, both general and legal.) General Studies: History;
General Science; Mathematics; Psychology; English; American and English
Literature; Economics; Sociology; Political Science; Accounting; Public Speaking.
Legal Studies: Conflict of Laws; Evidence; Pleading and Practice; Insurance;
Agency; Contracts; Property (Real + Personal); Sales; Torts; Domestic Relations;
Constitutional Law; Equity; Partnership; Guaranty and Suretyship;
Corporations; Trust; Wills; Crimes; Bills + Notes.

NOTE.—This application must be filed with the secretary of the Board at least 60 days before the bar examination for which application is made; or 90 days before if applicant offers evidence of the "equivalent" of a two-year academic college course under application paragraph 2-(b), Rule 2-(c).

5. Names and addresses of all employers during the past ten years, as well as dates of each period of employment.

Alfred Bush Columbia, North Carolina

Employed From 1935 to 1940

Norfolk Navy Yard Portsmouth, Virginia

Employed From June to Sept of each yr. beginning in 1940 through 1945

6. Have you ever been charged with the commission of any crime of any nature whatsoever?

7. Have you previously applied for admission to the bar in Virginia or any other State. If so, give date and results. If

such application has been made and withdrawn, so state and give reason for withdrawal Took the

June ¹⁹⁴⁷ New York State bar examination, as of this date I have not learned the results of that examination.

8. State present residence and each residence during past ten years, giving dates of residence at each locality during

said period I am a resident of Norfolk County and have been such all of my life except for the following periods, at which time I was away in school. From Sept 1942 to June 1944

2009 Brook Rd. Richmond, Va. From Sept 1944 to June 1947

180 W. 135 St. New York 30, N.Y.

9. References: (Names and addresses of two or more persons who have known you intimately for more than five years, and, if possible, the names of two or more attorneys practicing in the community in which you now live, all of whom can report as to your moral character)

James E. Norman RFD #3 Box 258 A Norfolk, Va.

Alfred Bush Columbia, North Carolina

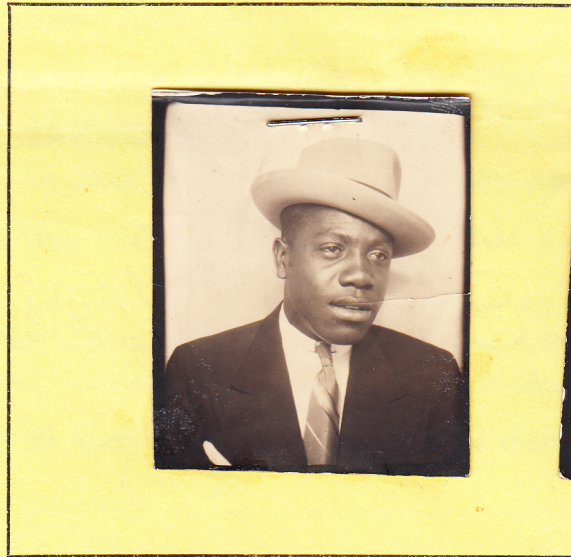
Albert A. Bell 67 Hobson Street Portsmouth, Va.

10. State your intention and purpose in taking the bar examination. Do you intend to engage in the active practice of law? If so, do you intend to specialize in any particular field of practice and what is it?

I intend to engage in the general practice of law

11. Give the name of the court to which, or of the law school to the professors of which, you propose to apply for the certificate required by Rules 4 and 5 Norfolk County Circuit Court

11a. Which examination do you wish to take (date)? December 1947



12. Attach to this page over the square outlined, an unmounted photograph of yourself taken within the preceding 12 months.

I hereby certify that the foregoing information is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated this 6 day of August, 1947.

Howard C. Bell

(Signature of Applicant.)

Address RFD#3 Box 258 Norfolk, Va.

180 W. 135 St
New York 30, NY
Nov 29, 1947

Mr. M. B. Watts, Secretary and Treasurer
Virginia Board of Law Examiners
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Mr. Watts:

Would you please inform ^{me} of the
place at which the Bar Examination
held in Richmond, on Dec. 9 and 10 will
be given?

Thanking you in advance.

Yours very truly,
Howard E. Bell

card sent
12-1-47

180 W. 135 St
New York 30, NY
Nov. 15, 1947

Dear Mr. Watts:

Enclosed you will find a money order for \$15.00. This being the fee necessary to take the December Bar examination.

I received your copy of the answers to the Virginia Bar Examination. Please inform me, immediately, at the above address if you have not received a money order covering the cost of the copy.

Respectfully Yours,
Howard E. Bell

card sent for both -
11-17-47

Order of Court—Certificate

VIRGINIA:

Date when granted must be inserted.

That an applicant is a resident of the State, of good moral character and has complied with the requirements as to notice, etc., in making application for the court certificate must be shown to the satisfaction of the court granting the certificate.

It must appear that applicant is a resident of the county or corporation in which this certificate is obtained.

In the Circuit Court of the County of Norfolk (or

Before the judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Norfolk), the 21st day of October, 1947.

It appearing that Howard Eugene Bell,

a resident of Norfolk County, Virginia, who desires to apply to the Virginia Board of Law Examiners for a license to practice law, has heretofore filed his application for this certificate with the clerk of this court ten days before the date hereof, a copy of which application was forthwith delivered by the said clerk to the judge of this court, and notice of which application was forthwith posted at the front door of the courthouse, and that said applicant did, on the day named in his application, move the court (or judge) to grant this certificate, which motion has been duly considered, and the court (or judge) having submitted his name to three attorneys practicing before this court, who have made a thorough investigation of the moral character and fitness of the applicant and reported their findings to the court (or judge), and the court (or judge) being duly

satisfied, doth certify that the said Howard Eugene Bell is a person of honest demeanor, of good moral character, is over 21 years of age, and has resided in this State the preceding six months.

Edward L. Oast, Judge.

A Copy—Teste:

E.T. White, Clerk.

BY: E.H. Smith D.C.



Virginia Union University

Richmond, Virginia

July 31, 1947

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Howard Eugene Bell
received the Bachelor of Arts degree from
Virginia Union University on June 6, 1944.

(Mrs.) Jean D. Gilpin
Acting Registrar



BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL

**375 PEARL STREET
BROOKLYN 1, NEW YORK**

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

August 1, 1947.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Brooklyn
Law School conferred upon HOWARD EUGENE BELL
the degree of Bachelor of Laws on June 12, 1947.

Cara F. Smelser
Secretary

