

## **Transition Into Law Practice Program**

## SUMMARY FOR NEWLY ADMITTED LAWYERS

- WHO: TILPP is the CLE requirement for newly admitted lawyers in Georgia unless the lawyer qualifies for an exemption or deferment. Review the <u>Exemption/Deferment Affidavit</u> to determine if you qualify. If you are exempt or deferred from the program, the remainder of this Summary does not apply to you.
- **WHY**: To provide professional guidance and counsel to assist newly admitted lawyers in acquiring the practical skills, judgment and professional values necessary to practice law in a highly competent manner. See <u>State Bar Rule 8-104</u> for detailed information.
- **WHEN**: TILPP applies to you during the remainder of the calendar year in which you were admitted to practice in Georgia and the next calendar year.
- **HOW**: TILPP compliance is a 4-Step Process:
  - 1. <u>Enrollment</u>. The first step is to complete your enrollment into TILPP. How you enroll depends upon your practice setting. You receive Compliance Information via email when you enroll with the State Bar of Georgia.
  - 2. <u>Mentoring</u>. You complete an approved mentoring plan during TILPP. The specifics of your individual plan depend upon your practice setting. **NOTE: The Mentoring Process and the CLE Process proceed concurrently and are designed to take a full year.**
  - 3. <u>CLE</u>. You complete 12 hours of CLE during TILPP. The specific CLE programs depend upon your practice setting. Prosecutors and Public Defenders have specialized programs. All other Beginning Lawyers in TILPP complete the mandatory 6 hour Beginning Lawyers Program and an additional 6 hours of their choice.
  - <u>Mandatory Advocacy Experiences (MAEs</u>). You will need to complete Mandatory Advocacy Experiences. These may be relative to your practice setting.
    See the Manual specific to your mentoring type for additional details.
- **COMPLETION**: You receive written confirmation when you have completed both TILPP components--Mentoring and CLE. As you attend CLE programs, your attendance is reported to us automatically. The manner in which your mentoring completion is reported to us depends upon your mentoring category.
- WHAT: What if your employment status or practice setting changes? If this occurs, your TILPP compliance may also change. You will submit a <u>Migration Form</u> to report a change in status or Mentor.
- **REMEMBER**: Because TILPP is designed to match your CLE and mentoring experience with your practice setting, the manner in which you comply with TILPP may well differ from those who are practicing in different settings from your situation.

If you have additional questions contact us at tilpp@gabar.org or 404.527.8704