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INFORMATION FOR ALL APPLICANTS

Citations refer to the Oklahoma Accountancy Act ("Act") and the Oklahoma Administrative Code ("Code"), which are available on the OAB's website.

Eligibility to Apply: All educational requirements to qualify must be met at the time the application is filed with the OAB. The OAB cannot waive any of the eligibility requirements.

Applicants will be asked to substantiate to the satisfaction of the OAB that they are residents of Oklahoma as required by Section 15.8.A of the Act. Former or future residence in the State of Oklahoma is not considered.

Citizenship is not required. However, If you are not a U.S. citizen, Federal Law mandates that the OAB establish that you are legally in the United States. If you are not; we will be unable to process your application.

Notification of Eligibility: If you are found eligible to apply for the examination, you will receive an approval letter. If you are found ineligible to be a candidate, you will receive a letter explaining why you are not eligible.

Qualification Fees: Effective July 1, 2005 a \$50 application fee is required with the qualification application. If your application is approved, you will be required to submit a "Candidate for Examination Application" and pay the appropriate fees for the candidate application and examination processes and services.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Receipt:

Online Application: At the end of the on-line process the receipt will detail the remaining items needed to complete the application process. Please print this information for your reference. The items must be received in the OAB office within 14 days from the date that you submitted the application. The receipt does not signify approval of your application; it is merely an acknowledgment that the application has been received by the OAB. The application cannot be processed until required items are received. If items are not received within 14 days the application will be denied and all fees forfeited.

You will not receive another receipt other than the one at the end of the on-line application, so it is very important for you to print it before closing out the application. You will also need to retain it for future access to your record. It contains an assigned PIN number and log-in information needed to access examination unofficial scores, update your record, re-apply, etc.

For Paper Filed Applications: You will be sent a receipt for the application within seven days following the filing of the application. The receipt does not signify approval of your application; it is merely an acknowledgment that the application has been received by the OAB. If appropriate fee and/or all required items are not included with the application, the application will be returned unprocessed.

EDUCATION

Official Transcript(s). Transcript(s) must bear the official signature of the registrar and, if applicable, seal of the college. The OAB will not assume responsibility for transcripts colleges sent directly to the OAB office.

For Online Applications – official transcript(s) must be received in the OAB office within 14 days from the date of submitting the application online.

For Paper-filed Applications – official transcript(s) must be received with the application.

CPA QUALIFICATION APPLICANT: You must submit sufficient official transcripts to reflect:

- (1) a minimum of 150 semester hours of college education including a baccalaureate or higher degree.
- (2) a minimum of 76 semester hours of upper-division level course credit;
- (3) a minimum of 30 semester hours of accounting course credits above principles of accounting or introductory accounting, including at least one auditing course; and
- (4) a minimum of 9 semester hours of upper division-level related course credit in any or all of the subjects of economics, statistics, finance, marketing, management, business law, business communication, financial information systems and computer science.

PA QUALIFICATION APPLICANT: You must submit sufficient official transcripts to reflect:

- (1) your degree from an accredited four-year college;
- (2) a minimum of 30 semester hours of accounting course credits, including at least one auditing course; and
- (3) a minimum of 18 semester hours of related subject course credit in any or all of the subjects of economics, statistics, finance, marketing, management, business law, business communication, financial information systems and computer science.

Each Course Needed To Qualify Must Be Individually Listed On An Official Transcript. If you attended more than one college, you must furnish official transcripts from all colleges to establish your eligibility.

Computer Science, Financial Information Systems and Business Law Courses: When you compute accounting course credits needed to qualify, the classification of the course on the official transcript will determine whether a course is an accounting course or a business related course. In instances where the college classifies all courses, including accounting courses, as "BUS," the decision of whether any course is accounting or business related will be made based on a detailed listing of the accounting curriculum. You may be asked to furnish such listing from that particular college for the period when the course was taken, a course syllabus and possibly class-related information.

Repetitious Courses: If you repeated a course or took one that is equivalent to the same course at more than one college, the OAB will count the course the first time you earned credit.

Quarter-Hour Credits: When using a two-thirds conversion to convert quarter hours earned into semester-hour credit the OAB does not round up course credit.

Credit for CPA Review Courses: A CPA review course may be counted for credit toward eligibility only if such a course is reflected on an accredited college or university official transcript as college credit.

Education Outside the United States: If all or part of your education toward your eligibility was from a college outside the United States, it will be necessary to have your education evaluated by an approved evaluation service. The service will charge you a fee for the evaluation, and it can take two to three months for some evaluation services to complete the procedure. Your application will be considered incomplete and cannot be processed if the evaluation is not included. You may visit our website under Examination for a list of evaluation services or contact the OAB staff for assistance. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure that the evaluation service will issue a report containing a detailed assessment of how the applicant's education meets the requirements set forth in Section 15.8 of the Oklahoma Accountancy Act.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Executive Director

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SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

1. Enter your title and complete name with lineage, if applicable (Sr., Jr., II, or III).
2. Enter the address where you reside (street address only, no post office box numbers).
3. Enter the address where you receive mail if different from your residence.
4. Indicate whether you are applying for qualification as a CPA or PA applicant.
5. Enter your Social Security number (XXX-XX-XXX) and date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY).
6. Enter the daytime telephone number where you can be reached and your home telephone number, including area codes.
7. Answer "Yes" if you have ever applied and your candidate status has been inactivated, your application has been denied, or if you withdrew your application in any state or jurisdiction and indicate jurisdiction.
8. If "yes" and you hold valid granted credit on parts of the examination earned while sitting in another state and wish to transfer that credit to Oklahoma, you will need a special form entitled "Authorization For Interstate Exchange of Examination and Licensing Information" to apply to transfer partial credit. If you did not receive this special form with the application materials, you may download it from the OAB's website or contact the OAB office. NOTE: Certain restrictions may apply for the credit transfer option [Code: 10:15-18.13].
9. If "Yes" and you have a disability according to the Americans with Disabilities Act, refer to the "Processing of Request for Reasonable Accommodations to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination Information & Request Form". If you did not receive this special form with the application materials, you may download it from the OAB's website or contact the OAB office.
10. Check the appropriate box. Citizenship is not required. However, if "yes" evidence of Oklahoma residence must be established in questions 12-18 on the application before the OAB will consider you as having satisfied the residence requirement.
11. Check appropriate boxes. If "yes," attach a legible copy of both sides of the visa card. Expired or out-of-date information will not be accepted.
12. Check "yes" only if you currently reside in the State of Oklahoma.
13. Enter the appropriate month, day, and year. You must be a current resident of Oklahoma prior to submitting your application. (Exclude brief vacations or out-of-state business trips).
14. Check appropriate box and indicate your state of employment if it is not Oklahoma.
15. Identify which state(s) to which you will be paying income tax for the current year (i.e. year the application is signed and filed with the OAB.)
16. Check the appropriate box.
17. Check the appropriate boxes. If you are a student attending college in another state, indicate your tuition status.
18. Check the appropriate box. If you are in military service, you must furnish documentation from your military branch verifying that Oklahoma is your current home of record.
19. Carefully read the section of these instruction entitled "DISCLOSURE". If "yes," attach signed and dated, detailed letter of explanation.
20. Check the appropriate box. If "yes," attach a detailed explanation and indicate jurisdiction.

21. Check the appropriate box. If “yes,” attach a detailed explanation.
 22. Check the appropriate box. If “yes,” attach a detailed explanation.
 23.
 - a. Check only one box. Primary employment status is either student, employed/self employed, unemployed, or military.
 - b. List the beginning date (by month, day and year) to the PRESENT (date of signing the application) for which your employment status applies. If unemployed, show the beginning date that you became unemployed until the present.
 - c. If employed or self employed, show the business name and address.
 24. List the college(s) or universities (a maximum of two) attended that are directly related to qualification.
 - 1) College or university at which degree was earned and used for qualification.
 - 2) College or university at which the majority of accounting hours were earned, if different than above.
 25. Applicants for qualification must submit one (1) photograph. Affix photograph in the box indicated.

The photograph must be a recent 2” X 2,” passport type photograph. Polaroid, scanned or cut-outs will not be accepted.
- NOTE: If you answered “Yes” to question number 7, questions 26, 27 and 28 are required.
26. Enter only if you have previously applied for the examination and your name has since changed.
 27. Enter only if you have previously applied for the examination and your address has since changed.
 28. Enter only if you have previously applied for the examination and your phone number has changed.
 29. (if applicable) List your current e-mail address and fax number where you may be reached.
 30. Provide contact information for two (2) individuals who are not your employer where the OAB may attempt to contact you if necessary.
 31. Enter your mother’s maiden name. Remember the name you entered because this information will be used for security verification purposes with the national database.
 32. Read the “APPLICANT’S ATTESTATION”, print your name, sign your name and date where indicated.

DISCLOSURE

Information for Applicants CPA or PA Examination

A serious problem may arise from improper completion of the application. The specific questions asked are:

MORAL CHARACTER QUESTIONS

- Have any of the following events **ever** occurred that have not been previously reported to the OAB: (1) have you been arrested; (2) have you been charged with a crime or are any charges against you pending at this time; (3) have you pled guilty or nolo contendere to any charge(s), (4) have you been convicted of a crime? If yes to any of these questions, attach a written explanation (See enclosed information sheet regarding disclosure)
- Have you ever been denied the right to sit for the CPA or PA Examination?
- Have you ever had any professional credential cancelled, revoked or suspended by enforcement?

In answering the above questions, the individual should consider all enforcement charges such as but not limited to DUIs, false I.D., drug use, or any other acts classified under state law as criminal (minor traffic violations excluded). You should include any charges or enforcement action that has caused a professional credential to be cancelled, revoked, or suspended.

Before signing the application, the individual is required to make the following attestation:

APPLICANT'S ATTESTATION

- I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the information given in this application is true and correct and that I have not willfully omitted or suppressed any information which might have a bearing on the application.

If the answer to any question under the moral question section is "yes" but is answered "no" and the individual signs the attestation, the individual has filed a fraudulent application.

The OAB obtains background checks. The first one is a part of the qualification application process. If there is an entry reported on your record and you have not provided the required explanation and documents, you are in violation of the Oklahoma Accountancy Act, which may result in the following:

- The OAB can place a candidate on probation for up to 5 years.
- The examination application can be denied.
- The CPA Certificate or PA License may not be granted.

The Solution:

Tell the truth. If the answer is yes, answer yes and attach a detailed explanation. You should also attach a letter to the application stating why the act should be disregarded now and why you should be permitted to take the CPA/PA examination. Show how you learned from your experience and what steps you have taken to keep from repeating the criminal act. A good letter of explanation will go a long way.

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APPLICATION FOR ELIGIBILITY
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

Answers marked with an “ * ” require additional information.
PRINT IN INK OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

The attached instructions are an important element to completing the application.

I hereby make the following declarations in connection with this application:

1. Full Name Ms. Mr. _____
(First) (Middle Name) (Last) (Lineage)
2. Address Where You Reside: _____
(Number and Street) (City and State) (Zip Code)
3. Mailing Address _____
(Number and Street or PO Box) (City and State) (Zip Code)
4. I am making application to determine eligibility for the following examination: CPA PA
5. Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Date of Birth: _____
6. Daytime Telephone () _____ Home Telephone () _____
7. Have you ever applied for the CPA or PA examination before? No Yes Where: _____
8. I am applying to transfer partial credits from another jurisdiction. No *Yes
9. Do you have a disability requiring accommodations to take the examination? No *Yes
10. Are you a United States Citizen? No Yes
11. Are you in the United States on a Visa status? No Yes

If "yes" indicate type of visa:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Permanent Resident Alien visa | <input type="checkbox"/> *Student visa |
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Non Immigrant/Temporary visa | <input type="checkbox"/> *Other type of visa |

RESIDENCE

12. Do you reside in the state of Oklahoma? No Yes
13. Beginning date of uninterrupted Oklahoma residence: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
14. Are you employed in the state of Oklahoma? No Yes
If no, in what state are you employed? _____
15. To what state do you pay state income tax? _____
16. Are you a student attending college in Oklahoma? No Yes
17. Are you a student attending college in a state other than Oklahoma? No Yes
If yes, what is your tuition status? Resident Non-Resident
18. Are you in military service? No *Yes

MORAL CHARACTER

19. Have any of the following events **ever** occurred that have not been previously reported to the OAB: (1) have you been arrested; (2) have you been charged with a crime or are any charges against you pending at this time; (3) have you pled guilty or nolo contendere to any charge(s), (4) have you been convicted of a crime? If yes to any of these questions, attach a written explanation. (See enclosed information sheet regarding disclosure) No *Yes
20. Have you ever been denied the right to sit for the CPA/PA Examination? No *Yes
By which jurisdiction(s): _____
21. Have you ever had a CPA certificate or a PA license of any state, territory, or foreign country cancelled, revoked or suspended or have you ever had an annual permit/license refused for renewal? No *Yes
By which jurisdiction(s): _____
22. Have you **ever** had any professional credential cancelled, revoked or suspended by enforcement action that has not been previously reported to the OAB? If yes, attach a written explanation. No *Yes

STATUS

23. a.) Check only one: Student Unemployed Employed/self employed Military
- b.) Inclusive Dates ____MO____DAY____ YR to **PRESENT**
- c.) If employed or self-employed:
Business name: _____
Business address: _____

EDUCATION

24. List of colleges and universities:

Name of College/University	State where College /University is located	Date of Degree (mm/dd/yyyy)	Type of Degree Earned
1)			
2)			

PHOTOGRAPH:

25. See instruction sheet for specific information about photograph.

STAPLE HERE
PRINT NAME ON BACK OF PHOTO

PREVIOUS PERSONAL INFORMATION (If "Yes" to question 7, questions 26-28 are required)

26. Full Name Ms. Mr. _____
(First) (Middle Name) (Last) (Lineage)

27. Previous Address: _____
(Number and Street) (City and State) (Zip Code)

28. Telephone () _____

CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION

29. Current e-mail Address: _____ Fax () _____

30. List two individuals (not employer) where the Board may leave messages for you.

Name	Phone Number
1)	
2)	

SECURITY QUESTION

31. Mother's Maiden Name: _____

APPLICANT'S ATTESTATION

- I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the information given in this application is true and correct and that I have not willfully omitted or suppressed any information which might have a bearing on the application.
- I also certify that I have read the Oklahoma Accountancy Act and Title 10 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code and will hereafter comply with the provisions thereof.
- I agree to comply with the uniform procedures governing the confidentiality of the nondisclosed examination.
- I understand that if I am a party to any breach of confidentiality or examination security I will be subject to action by the Board which may affect my status as an examination candidate.
- I authorize the Board to release to the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) such information as is necessary for my inclusion in the National Candidate Database, including but not limited to Social Security number and examination scores.
- I understand that the Board's liability for any loss or claim resulting from the administration of the examination is limited to the amount of the current examination fee paid.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST SIGN AND DATE

32.

Print your name

Sign your name in ink

Date