MEMORANDUM

Date: February 6, 2012
To: May, 2012 Graduates
From: Stephanie Danz, Assistant Registrar
Subject: Admission to Wisconsin Supreme Court and Wisconsin Bar

If you have questions regarding this information, please stop to see Dean Thomson or me in Room 238, call me (414.288.1437), or send me an email (stephanie.danz@marquette.edu); you can also contact April Stegmann of the Board of Bar Examiners (april.stegmann@wicourts.gov or 608.261.2351).

Graduates of the Marquette University Law School are eligible for admission to the Wisconsin Bar under the Diploma Privilege. There are five requirements under SCR 40.02; applicants must:

1. Have attained the age of majority.
2. Satisfy the legal competence requirement by diploma privilege.
3. Satisfy the character and fitness requirement of SCR 40.06.
4. Take the oath or affirmation prescribed in SCR 40.15.
5. Subscribe the roll of attorneys maintained by the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Item 2: Assuming you have completed all of the degree requirements, the Board of Bar Examiners will certify to the Supreme Court that you have satisfied the legal competence requirement upon receipt of your degree.

Item 3: Under SCR 40.06, an applicant for admission must establish good moral character and fitness to practice law by filing an application for character and fitness certification with the Board by the dates specified by the Board.

Item 4: You will need to take the Attorney’s Oath before the Wisconsin Supreme Court. According to SCR 40.09, you must establish that you are qualified for admission within one year after receipt of your J.D. degree.

Item 5: The final requirement, subscribing the roll of attorneys, will be accomplished immediately following the admission ceremony.

Please note: Information regarding the admission ceremony will be sent to you directly by the Clerk of the Supreme Court. If you do not receive a packet from the Court, you are not on the reservation list. Please confirm with the Board of Bar Examiners.