

SUPERVISED PRACTICE PORTFOLIO EXAMINATION (SPPE)
SUPERVISING ATTORNEY’S DECLARATION REGARDING
OUT-OF-STATE SPPE APPLICANTS

A Supervising Attorney must complete this declaration if they plan to supervise an SPPE Applicant who intends to regularly live or work outside of Oregon’s boundaries.

1. I understand that an Oregon Provisional License, if granted under the Supervised Practice Portfolio Examination (SPPE) program, authorizes only supervised law practice with respect to Oregon clients or matters. With respect to other clients or matters, the Provisional Licensee remains an unlicensed law graduate.
2. I understand that the Oregon State Bar cannot advise SPPE participants on the rules regulating the unauthorized practice of law in other jurisdictions.
3. I have reviewed the statutes, rules, applicable case law, and advisory opinions governing the unauthorized practice of law in both Oregon and the jurisdiction(s) where the Provisional Licensee will be physically located, and I understand those restrictions with respect to the Provisional Licensee’s work.
4. I will supervise the Provisional Licensee to ensure that they do not violate rules against the unauthorized practice of law in Oregon, the jurisdiction(s) where they will be physically located, or any other jurisdiction. I will supervise the Provisional Licensee to ensure that they do not provide false or misleading information about their licensing status and that their licensing status is disclosed if required in individual and firm communications, including but not limited to the firm letterhead, or firm website. I accept professional responsibility for that aspect of the Provisional Licensee’s work, just as I accept professional responsibility for other aspects of the Provisional Licensee’s work under SPPE Rule 5.3(D).
5. I understand that any work product submitted by the Provisional Licensee as part of their portfolio must relate to Oregon or federal law. The Oregon Board of Bar Examiners (BBX) will not accept written work product, documentation of client interactions, or documentation of negotiations related to the law of any other jurisdiction.
6. I commit to providing sufficient work related to Oregon or federal law that the Provisional Licensee will be able to pursue the SPPE program. I understand that the Provisional Licensee will have limited ability to rely upon simulations or prompts created by BBX or the Admissions Department.
7. I understand that Oregon’s Professional Liability Fund may not cover work unrelated to Oregon clients.
8. I understand that, if the Provisional Licensee successfully completes the SPPE program, they will be issued an Oregon law license—not a license to practice in any other jurisdiction. I have discussed that reality, as well as the limits other jurisdictions impose on reciprocity or comity, with the Provisional Licensee.

I hereby declare that the above statements are complete, true, and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any false statement in this declaration may subject me to disciplinary action under Oregon’s Rules of Professional Conduct – Rule 8.1(a).

Supervising Attorney’s Signature

Date

Supervising Attorney’s Printed Name

Bar Number