

STATE OF MAINE  
SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT  
AMENDMENT TO  
MAINE RULES FOR THE MAINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
FOR LAWYERS AND JUDGES

**2025 Me. Rules 02**

Effective: April 11, 2025

All of the Justices concurring therein, the following amendment to the Maine Rules for the Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers and Judges is adopted to be effective on the date indicated above. The specific amendment is stated below. To aid in the understanding of the amendment, an Advisory Note appears after the text of the amendment. The Advisory Note states the reason for recommending the amendment, but the Advisory Note is not part of the amendment adopted by the Court.

1. Rule 1 of the Maine Rules for the Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers and Judges is amended to read as follows:

**RULE 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF MAINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR LAWYERS AND JUDGES (MAP)**

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C. Funding and Administration:

(1) MAP shall be funded from assessments made annually on members of the Bar of Maine. Every attorney required to register in accordance with the Maine Bar Rules, other than suspended attorneys, shall pay an annual fee as established by the Court, which shall be paid to the Board of Overseers of the Bar with the registration statement on or before August 31 as required by M. Bar R. ~~6(a)(1)~~ 4(a).

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## **Advisory Note – April 2025**

Rule 1(C)(1) is amended to provide the correct cross-reference to the Maine Bar Rules. Maine Bar Rule 4(a), not Maine Bar Rule 6(a)(1), requires the assessments that fund the Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers and Judges.

Dated: April 11, 2025

FOR THE COURT,\*

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
VALERIE STANFILL  
Chief Justice

ANDREW M. MEAD  
ANDREW M. HORTON  
CATHERINE R. CONNORS  
RICK E. LAWRENCE  
WAYNE R. DOUGLAS  
JULIA M. LIPEZ  
Associate Justices

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\* This Rule Amendment Order was approved after conference of the Court, all Justices concurring therein.