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**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control No. 500 Department or Agency Board of Landscape Architects  
Rule No. 500-X-2-.03  
Rule Title: Application for Examination or Re-Examination  
New X Amend \_\_\_\_\_ Repeal \_\_\_\_\_ Adopt by Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? No

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? n/a

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

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Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer *Deisy Moore*  
Date 8/22/2012

(DATE FILED)  
(STAMP)

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**ALABAMA BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

AGENCY NAME: Board of Landscape Architects

RULE NO. & TITLE: 500-X-2-.03 Application for Examination or Re-Examination

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Board is no longer administering the licensing exam, so any Rules referencing the licensing exam need to be updated. Also, Legislation passed changed some qualifications for licensure that also need to be updated in the Rules.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Oral or written comments may be submitted to the Board of Landscape Architects, 5950 Carmichael PL, Suite 109-A, Montgomery, AL 36117. Phone: 334-262-1351. Email: LandArchBoard@knology.net

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: October 5, 2012

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Leigh Moorner, Administrator, Board of Landscape Architects, 5950 Carmichael PL, Suite 109-A, Montgomery, AL 36117. Phone: 334-262-1351. Email: LandArchBoard@knology.net.

  
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Administrator

**500-X-2-.03 ~~Application For Examination Or Re-Examination.~~**  
**Qualifications for Licensure**

(1) An applicant must submit evidence that the applicant has completed the course of study in and graduated from a college or school of landscape architecture approved by the Board. The applicant also must submit evidence of actual practical experience in landscape architectural work of a grade and character satisfactory to the Board. A total six years of combined education and experience must be completed before an applicant may apply for examination. Each year of study in an approved college or school of landscape architecture will be accepted as one year of such combined education and experience for a maximum of five years. A master's or doctoral degree in landscape architecture shall fulfill the requirements for five years combined education and practical experience.

(2) In lieu of graduation from an accredited college or school of landscape architecture, and the practical experience in addition thereto, an applicant may apply for examination upon presenting evidence of at least eight years of actual practical experience in landscape architectural work of a grade and character satisfactory to the Board. In order to be considered for licensure via practical experience, an applicant must have begun earning acceptable practical experience prior to August 1, 2012.

~~(3) An application for examination or re-examination will be submitted on a form provided by the Board and will be received during regular business hours at the office of the Board. An application for examination or re-examination must be received 120 calendar days prior to the administration of the examination. Any application received after the deadline will be considered for the following examination.~~

~~(a) (3) Each applicant shall submit with the appropriate application form for examination or re-examination may be required to submit for licensure, authentic proof of the statements made therein by attaching such documentary evidence, affidavits, registrar's statements, diplomas, published data, photographs, photostats, or any other sworn proven evidence as in the discretion of the Board, may be sufficient to show the Board that the applicant is clearly eligible for ~~examination or re-examination~~ licensure as a landscape architect.~~

~~(b) (a) The Board may require a portfolio of plans which have been implemented specifically indicating the applicant's ability to execute contours, drainage, planting plans and perspective drawings whenever the applicant does not hold a college degree from an accredited university program in landscape architecture.~~

~~(c) (b) The Board reserves the right to retain as a permanent part of the application, any or all documents submitted. Original documents may be replaced by photostatic copies of such documents at the request and expense of the applicant.~~

(4) All applicants shall be considered individually by the Board based upon evidence submitted and passed or rejected on a roll call vote. The action taken by the Board on each application shall be recorded in the minutes and an outline of the action taken by the Board shall be placed with the application.

(a) A personal appearance before the Board may be required of applicants in the discretion of the Board. Personal appearances before the Board, if required, shall be at the time and place designated by the Board.

(b) Failure to supply additional evidence or information within 30 calendar days from the date of a written request from the Board or to appear before the Board when such an appearance is deemed necessary by the Board, may be considered just and sufficient cause for disapproval of the application.

~~(5) An applicant, meeting all requirements of the Alabama Statute and the rules and regulations of the Board, and eligible for examination or re-examination for landscape architecture in the State of Alabama will be notified by the Board of his eligibility.~~

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-17-1, et seq.

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Amended: Filed February 24, 1994; effective March 31, 1994.

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