

**544A.25 Applicant — civil rights — moral character.**

1. An applicant is not ineligible for licensure because of age, citizenship, sex, race, religion, marital status, or national origin, although the application form may require citizenship information. Character references may be required.

2. The board may consider the following aspects when investigating an applicant's good moral character:

a. An applicant's conviction for commission of a felony, but only if the felony relates directly to the practice of architecture or to the applicant's honesty.

b. An applicant's misstatement, omission, or misrepresentation of a material fact in connection with the applicant's application for licensure in this state or another jurisdiction.

c. An applicant's violation of a rule of conduct of a jurisdiction in which the applicant has previously engaged in the practice of architecture, provided that the rule of conduct violated is substantially equivalent to a then existing or current rule of conduct required of architects in this state.

d. An applicant's practice of architecture without being licensed in violation of licensure laws of the jurisdiction in which the practice took place.

3. If the applicant's background includes any of the foregoing, the board may license the applicant on the basis of suitable evidence of reform.

[C75, 77, 79, 81, §118.25]

[87 Acts, ch 92, §11](#)

[C93, §544A.25](#)

[2012 Acts, ch 1023, §157; 2017 Acts, ch 131, §7](#)