

## **SECTION 6. NEW YORK'S APPROVED JURISDICTION POLICY**

(A) **Rule** — A New York attorney who completes an eligible Approved Jurisdiction course or program may claim New York CLE credit for the course or program in accordance with the requirements of the Program Rules and these Regulations and Guidelines.

(B) **Definitions** *[revised effective December 6, 2013]*

(1) **Eligible Approved Jurisdiction Course or Program** — An eligible Approved Jurisdiction course or program is an out-of-state course or program that is accredited by a New York Approved Jurisdiction and that meets New York's standards for accreditation.

(2) **Out-of-State Course or Program** — A traditional live classroom-format program is an "out-of-state" course or program if it takes place outside of New York State. A nontraditional-format program is an "out-of-state" course or program if the headquarters of the provider organization is located outside of New York State.

(3) **New York Approved Jurisdiction** — A New York Approved Jurisdiction is any jurisdiction so designated by the CLE Board. A list of New York Approved Jurisdictions is available on the CLE website or may be obtained by contacting the CLE Board.

(C) **Procedures for Claiming Credit and Attorney Obligations** *[revised effective December 6, 2013]* — An attorney completing an eligible Approved Jurisdiction course or program may claim New York CLE credit in accordance with the requirements of the Program Rules and these Regulations and Guidelines. The attorney must retain, for a period of at least four (4) years, appropriate documentation indicating:

(1) that the course or program was accredited by a New York Approved Jurisdiction;

(2) that the attorney attended or otherwise participated in the program, specifying the attorney's name, the title, date and location of the course or program, and the number of CLE credit hours earned; and

(3) proof of compliance with New York's standards for accreditation (for details see the CLE website).

**(D) Limitations** — Credit may be claimed only in a manner consistent with the Program Rules and these Regulations and Guidelines.

**(1) Newly Admitted Attorneys** — Newly admitted attorneys who complete eligible Approved Jurisdiction courses or programs may earn CLE credit only in accordance with the requirements of section 2 of these Regulations and Guidelines. (E.g., newly admitted attorneys may not earn New York CLE credit in the skills category for participation in programs offered in a nontraditional format, even if this activity has been approved for credit by an Approved Jurisdiction, as CLE credit is not available to newly admitted attorneys for this activity under these Regulations and Guidelines except as provided in sections 2(C)(1) and 2(F).)

**(2) Attorneys other than Newly Admitted Attorneys** — Attorneys other than newly admitted attorneys may earn credit for completion of eligible Approved Jurisdiction courses or programs only in accordance with the requirements of section 3 of these Regulations and Guidelines. (E.g., New York attorneys may not earn New York CLE credit for reading legal materials, even if this activity has been approved for credit by a New York Approved Jurisdiction, as CLE credit is not available for this activity under these Regulations and Guidelines except as provided in section 3(B).) Credit may be earned for any of the activities set forth in section 3(D)(1)-(4) and (7), for an eligible Approved Jurisdiction course or program, to the extent that credit is available under these Regulations and Guidelines.

**(E) Procedure for Nonapproved Out-of-State Courses or Programs** — An attorney or sponsoring organization seeking New York CLE credit for an out-of-state course or program that is not an eligible Approved Jurisdiction course or program shall comply with the accreditation application procedures for individual courses or programs. (See section 8 of these Regulations and Guidelines.)