

Reclassification for Out-of-State Students

Students who enter as nonresidents who intend to apply for reclassification after their first year will be required to provide *clear and convincing documentation that supports permanent legal residence in this state for at least 12 consecutive months* rather than temporary residency for the purpose of pursuing an education. This documentation should be dated prior to the commencement of your 1L classes and should be submitted prior to the commencement of your 2L classes and should include the following:

1. A copy of the letter from the Florida Board of Bar Examiners acknowledging they have received your early application to the Florida Bar.

In addition to a letter from the Florida Board of Bar Examiners acknowledging they have received your early application to the Florida Bar, you should also provide the following documents as part of your petition:

2. Florida Drivers License – dated to meet the minimum 12 month time frame. You must provide the following documents to obtain a Florida Drivers License:
 1. Proof of Residential Address: such as a residential rental/lease agreement, deed, mortgage
 2. Proof of SSN: Social Security Card
 3. One primary form of identification: birth certificate, valid US passport, or Certificate of Naturalization
 4. One secondary form of identification: such as a drivers license from another U.S. state

For a complete list of acceptable documents go to: <http://www.flhsmv.gov/ddl/faqkeys.html#USC>

Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles Website:
<http://www.flhsmv.gov/offices/leon.html>

3. Declaration of Domicile with the Clerk of Courts with a date PRIOR to the first day of classes of the 1L year or at minimum 12 consecutive months prior to the first day of classes of the 2L year.

Leon County Clerk of Courts
313 South Calhoun Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32302
850-577-4030
Operating Hours: Monday – Friday; 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Fee: \$15.00
Florida issued photo ID required
Link to Declaration of Domicile Form:
http://www.clerk.leon.fl.us/sections/clerk_services/online_forms/official_records/declaration_of_domicile.pdf
4. Florida voter registration – dated to meet the minimum 12 month time frame.

Florida Division of Elections Website:
<http://election.dos.state.fl.us/voter-registration/voter-reg.shtml>
5. Florida vehicle registration – dated to meet the minimum 12 month time frame.

Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles Website:
<http://www.flhsmv.gov/offices/leon.html>
6. Notarized statement of intent to permanently reside in Florida. A notary is available in the Office of Admissions at the law school for your convenience.
7. Updated Residency Form: http://www.law.fsu.edu/prospective_students/admissions/app_res.pdf

NOTE: Residing in a University dorm disqualifies you from reclassifying as a Florida Resident for tuition purposes.