

Argued: September 11, 2020

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS  
OF MARYLAND

Misc. No. 15

September Term, 2019

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF ANTONETTE YVONNE JEFFERSON  
FOR ADMISSION TO THE BAR OF  
MARYLAND

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Barbera, C.J.  
McDonald  
Watts  
Hotten  
Getty  
Booth  
Biran,

JJ.

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ORDER

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**ORDER**

**WHEREAS** Antonette Yvonne Jefferson has applied for admission to the Maryland Bar,

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-204(a), the Character Committee for the Fourth Appellate Circuit undertook an investigation of Ms. Jefferson’s character and fitness for the practice of law and, on March 12, 2019, conducted a hearing at which Ms. Jefferson appeared and testified,

**WHEREAS**, the Character Committee prepared a comprehensive report for the State Board of Law Examiners in which it unanimously recommended that Ms. Jefferson be denied admission to the Bar,

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-204(b), on October 25, 2019, the State Board of Law Examiners conducted a hearing at which Ms. Jefferson appeared and testified,

**WHEREAS**, after holding the hearing and receiving additional information from Ms. Jefferson, the State Board of Law Examiners, on February 18, 2020, unanimously recommended in a report to the Court that Ms. Jefferson be denied admission to the Bar,

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Jefferson requested the opportunity for a hearing before the Court, pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-204(c), and filed a brief and other documents for the Court's consideration in connection with the hearing,

**WHEREAS**, the Court conducted a hearing on September 11, 2020, at which Ms. Jefferson appeared and presented argument,

**WHEREAS**, the Court has carefully considered the report of the Character Committee, the report of the State Board of Law Examiners, and the submissions made by Ms. Jefferson,

**WHEREAS**, the Court finds that Ms. Jefferson has not met her burden under Maryland Rule 19-204(d) to establish that she has the requisite character and fitness for the practice of law, it is this 14th day of September, 2020,

**ORDERED**, that the application of Antonette Yvonne Jefferson for admission to the Maryland Bar is denied.

/s/ Mary Ellen Barbera  
Chief Judge