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2026-2027 Petition for Classification as In-State for Tuition Purposes THIS FORM IS FOR LAW STUDENTS ONLY

Financially independent law students who intend to remain in Georgia upon completion of their legal studies should complete and submit this petition. To be eligible for classification as in-state for tuition purposes, petitioners must be U.S. citizens or U.S. Permanent Residents who can establish by clear and convincing evidence that they have abandoned their out-of-state domicile and have established legal residence in Georgia.

To ensure consideration of petitions prior to initial fee payment deadlines, completed petitions and supporting material should be submitted to the School of Law Admissions Office by **July 1 for the fall semester** and **November 1 for the spring semester**. Petitions can be mailed, hand delivered or sent by email. To send by email, scan and email to Brandi Saunders at bsaundrs@uga.edu through SendFiles (sendfiles.uga.edu). You will use your UGA MyID, password and Archpass Duo to sign-in to SendFiles. In addition, you should change your current and permanent contact information in Athena (athena.uga.edu) to your local Athens address and do not include an end date. Do not use this petition for the summer semester. Contact the School of Law Admissions Office (706-542-7060) for information about in-state classification for summer law classes.

Required Documents

Provide the following documents in order in support of this petition. If you cannot provide one or more of the documents listed below, please note which document(s) and explain the reason(s) for not providing the document(s) in the space below.						

- 1) A statement covering all facts and circumstances that establish your domicile in Georgia. Make sure to include whether you plan to take the Georgia Bar Examination and remain in Georgia after graduation.
- 2) Complete documentation for all the financial support you list in Section Four b) of this petition. To document loan and scholarship awards, please log in to Athena and proceed to the Financial Aid. Once in Financial Aid, print the College Financing Plan located in the last tab.
- 3) The first page of your Georgia income tax return for the most recent tax year (Form 500). If you have abandoned your out-of-state domicile, you will use your local Georgia address as your permanent address on your tax form.*
- 4) The first page of your federal income tax return for the most recent tax year. If you have abandoned your out-of-state domicile, you will use your local Georgia address as your permanent address on your tax form.*
- 5) Copy of your W2 form(s) for the most recent tax year.*
- 6) Copy of your warranty deed, apartment lease, or other proof of domicile in Georgia for the past 12 months. The first page of an apartment lease (or page documenting the start date and length of the lease) is sufficient.
- 7) Copy of your Georgia driver's license.
- 8) If you own a vehicle, provide a copy of your Georgia vehicle registration. If you do not own a vehicle, please include this information in your statement.
- 9) Voided check or other proof of having established a checking/savings account in Georgia. Accounts established at large nationwide banks are sufficient provided your Georgia address is listed on your checks or bank statement.
- 10) Update permanent and current address to reflect a Georgia address in Athena.

Section One – Student Information

Name				UGA ID		
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Date of Birth _	mm dd y	E-mail	Address			
Telephone						
Are you a U.S.	citizen?	Yes	No**			

**U.S. Permanent Residents (green card holders) must provide a copy of both sides of your U.S. Permanent Resident Card.

^{*}Note: If your spouse contributed to your financial support, please also include his or her information.

Section Two – Student's Claim of In-State Status for Tuition Purposes I am petitioning for in-state tuition beginning (circle one): Fall **20** . **Spring Section Three – Enrollment Status** First term of enrollment at Georgia Law (circle one): Fall Spring **20** . **Section Four - Financial Information** a) Were you claimed as an income tax deduction by anyone for the tax year preceding the term for which you are requesting resident classification?* *Note: If you answer "yes" to this question, you are not an independent student. The Law School Admissions Office does not have the discretion to grant in-state classification to dependent students and will deny your petition for in-state classification. If denied for this reason, you may appeal the law school's determination. Instructions for your appeal will be included in the letter denying your petition. b) Please note all sources of financial support for the past twelve months (including tuition, fees, and books, if in school during this period). Percentages must total 100%. The cost of attendance allowance for a nonresident law student was \$62,990 for the 2024-2025 academic year. The sum of your financial support should not be more than this unless there are special circumstances, but may it be less. Do not include information about summer loans or scholarships. \$Amount \$Amount Source % Source % Parents **Employment** Trust funds Spouse Student Loans Other (specify) Scholarships Total......100% c) If you listed a parent or spouse as a source of your financial support, please provide permanent address of same:

d) If you listed employment as a source of your financial support, provide details as shown below.

Dates Location Employer Full/Part-time hrs/wk

(from - to) (city and state)

	Location during Absence	Reason for Absence (i.e. law-related employment)	
(from – to)	(city and state)		
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Section Five – St	udent's Affirmation		
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e) Provide information on any absence from Georgia during the past 12 months for periods of three