

SAMPLE NOMINATION FORM
FOR ELECTION TO THE BAR COUNCIL OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, 2026

To,
Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh
Sir,

We, the following Proposer and Seconder, nominate Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
an Advocate on the Roll of _____ vide
the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh, enrolled on _____
Enrolment Number _____ practicing at Himachal Pradesh as a
Candidate for election to the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh.

PROPOSER

Name on Enrolment Roll: _____

S/o, D/o, W/o: _____

Address: _____

Enrolment No.: _____

Number on the Electoral Roll: _____

Mobile No.: _____

E-mail ID: _____

Date:

Signature

Undertaking / Declaration:

1. I confirm that I am qualified to be an Advocate of the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh and also to be a voter in the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh Elections to be held in April, 2026.
2. I have a valid certificate and degree duly recognized by concerned Board/ University. I undertake that if it is found that the procurement is based on an invalid certificate or degree, the enrolment shall not be treated to be valid irrespective of inclusion of my name on the State-roll.
3. I further undertake that I am not doing any work of Handwriting Expert or appearing as a witness in support of any litigant.
4. I am a regular practitioner; not a convict and have not been punished by any Disciplinary Committee (of Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh or Bar Council of India during the period of nine months before the election).
5. I also confirm that I suffer from no disqualification for being a member of Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh and also being a voter for Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh Elections to be held in April, 2026, as provided for in Chapter-I of Bar Council of India Rules (for Qualification /Disqualification and procedure for election and code of conduct for elections of S.B.C / B.C.I.) 2023 issued vide Bar Council of India Notification No. F. No. BCI:D:3429/2023 dated 23.06.2023.
6. I undertake to follow the Code of Conduct for elections.

7. Any concealment shall attract appropriate disciplinary and criminal action, besides the cancellation of candidature of advocate being proposed by me hereunder and removal of my name from the rolls of Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh.

Date: -

Signature

SECONDER

Name: _____

S/o, D/o, W/o: _____

Address: _____

Enrolment No.: _____

Number on the Electoral Roll: _____

Mobile No.: _____

E-mail ID: _____

Date: -

Signature

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Date: -

Signature

CANDIDATE

Please Affix
the Recent
Photograph
with Advocate
Dress

I am willing to serve the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh, if elected

Male Female

Name Enrolment Roll: _____

S/o, D/o, W/o: _____

Residential Address: _____

Office Address: _____

Chamber Address: _____

Enrolment No.: _____

Enrolled on: _____

Number on the Electoral Roll: _____

Mobile/ Whatsapp No.: _____

E-mail ID: _____

My Social Media account (s) (if any) is/are

- (i) _____
- (ii) _____
- (iii) _____
- (iv) _____

(In case of more such accounts, please attach a separate sheet.)

Date: -

Signature

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3. I further undertake that I am not doing any work of Handwriting Expert or appearing as a witness in support of any litigant.
4. I am a regular practitioner; not a convict and have not been punished by any Disciplinary Committee (of Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh or Bar Council of India during the period of nine months before the election).

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6. I undertake to follow the Code of Conduct for elections.
7. Further, any concealment shall attract appropriate disciplinary and criminal action, besides the cancellation of my candidature by the Election Committee and also the removal of my name from the rolls of Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh.

Date: -

Signature

Encl.:

Demand Draft/ Bankers Cheque No. _____ dated _____

Drawn on _____ for Rs.1,25,000/- (Rupees
One Lac Twenty-Five Thousand Only).

AFFIDAVIT/UNDERTAKING

(To be furnished by the aspiring contestant/ candidate)

AFFIDAVIT/UNDERTAKING

I, _____, S/o, D/o, W/o _____, aged
about _____ years, Resident of _____,

Having Enrolment No. _____ dated _____,
on the State Roll of the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh, do hereby solemnly affirm
and declare as under:

1. I am a practicing Advocate and a contesting candidate for the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh Elections for the post of Member Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh.
2. I hold valid certificates and degrees recognized by the concerned Board/University and am not working in any other job, including as a hand writing expert or professional witness.
3. I am a regular practitioner, not a convict, and I do not have any two criminal cases of a serious nature (punishable with a punishment of seven years or more) pending against me prior to nine months of the election.
4. I have not been punished by any Disciplinary Committee of the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh or BCI in the nine months preceding the election, nor am I currently suspended or debarred.
5. I am qualified to be a member of the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh and also to be a voter in the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh Elections to be held in April, 2026. I also confirm that I suffer from no disqualification for being a member of Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh and also being a voter for Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh Elections to be held in April, 2026, as provided for in Chapter-I of Bar Council of India Rules (for Qualification/ Disqualification and procedure for election and code of conduct for elections of S.B.C/B.C.I.) 2023 issued vide Bar Council of India Notification no. F. No. BCI:D:3429/2023 dated 23.06.2023.
6. I have carefully read and understood the Model Code of Conduct attached to this Affidavit/Undertaking.
7. I hereby accept and adopt the said Code of Conduct in its entirety and also undertake to ensure that my supporters, agents, and campaign team strictly adhere to it.

8. I acknowledge that any violation of the attached Code of Conduct (**Annexure-A**) or this affidavit/undertaking shall constitute misconduct and corrupt practice, being willful wrongdoing or breach of established standards and the same would not only render my candidature liable to be nullified and cancelled, but would also entail consequential disciplinary proceedings against me and other concerned persons acting on my behalf.
9. I specifically accept that if I am found in violation, the consequences may include the cancellation of my candidature, the elimination of my name from the ballot, and the distribution of my votes amongst remaining candidates.
10. I undertake that the decision of the High Powered Election Committee regarding such violations shall be final and binding upon me.

DEPONENT

VERIFICATION

I, the above-named Deponent, verify that the contents of this affidavit/undertaking are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and nothing material has been concealed.

Verified at _____ on _____, 2026.

DEPONENT

MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT
FOR
BAR COUNCIL OF HIMACHAL PRADESH ELECTIONS, 2026

This Model Code of Conduct for the upcoming Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh Elections, 2026 formulated to ensure a free, fair, and transparent electoral process to be followed by all candidates, supporters and Advocates participating in the elections, shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force until the conclusion of the counting process i.e. the election process.

Eligibility & Disqualifications

1. The candidate must hold valid certificates/degrees recognized by the State Government and must not be engaged in any other job or occupation, including working as a handwriting expert or professional witness.
2. A candidate must be a practicing Advocate, not a convict, and must not have two criminal cases of a serious nature (punishable with imprisonment of seven years or more) prior to nine months of the election.
3. The candidate must not have been punished by any Disciplinary Committee of the Himachal Pradesh Bar Council or BCI in the nine months preceding the election, nor be currently suspended or debarred.
4. No person who is not an Advocate on the electoral rolls of the Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh shall be permitted to take part in the election process in any capacity (supporter, elector or counting agent, etc.).

Corrupt practices & undue influence

5. No Candidate, Supporter, or Advocate shall indulge in the “*Corrupt Practices*” defined hereunder: -
 - (i) Any gift, offer or promise of any gratification to any person whom-so-ever, with the object, directly or indirectly of inducing: -
 - (a) A person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw or not to withdraw from being a candidate at the election; or
 - (b) An elector to vote or refrain from voting at an election, or as a reward to a person for having so stood or not stood or for having withdrawn or not having withdrawn his candidature; and an elector for having voted or refrained from voting;

- (ii) The receipt or agreement to receive, any gratification whether as a motive or a reward -
 - (a) by a person for standing or not standing as, or for withdrawing or not withdrawing from a candidate; or
 - (b) by any person who-so-ever for himself or any other person for voting or refraining from voting, or inducing or attempting to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting or any candidate to withdraw or not to withdraw his candidature.

For the purposes of this clause the term "*gratification*" is not restricted to pecuniary gratification or gratifications estimable in money and it includes all forms of entertainment and all forms of employment for reward.

- 6. No Candidate, Supporter, or Advocate shall commit "*Undue influence*", that is to say, any direct or indirect interference or attempt to interfere with the free exercise of any electoral right including the issuing or sending of any appeal or manifesto for votes whether direct or indirect."

Provided that a mere intimation of a candidature with a bare request for a vote shall not amount to "*undue influence*".

AND provided further that a candidate or his agent may also orally ask for votes from voters; but on the date of election such requests shall not be made within a radius of 200 yards from the Polling Station. And a candidate may issue a written intimation to his voters announcing his candidature and seeking their votes or their first preference votes, which intimation shall not contain any other publicity or his eulogy. Such written intimation shall also not amount to "*undue influence*."

An attempt so secure from any voter his ballot paper with intent to prevent him from transmitting it directly or with intent to ensure that vote has been cast or is to be cast for a particular candidate shall be deemed to interfere with the free exercise of the electoral right of the said voter.

- 7. The hiring or procuring, whether on payment or otherwise of any vehicle or vessel or the use of such vehicle or vessel for the free conveyance of any elector to or from any polling station.
- 8. An Advocate holding any post in a Bar Association shall not use the Bar Association infrastructure and its funds to either promote his own candidature or of any other

candidate who is holding post in a Bar Association to promote his / her candidature in any manner whatsoever.

Digital conduct & misinformation

9. No candidate shall use any platform (including social media) to disseminate patently false, untrue, or misleading information.
10. Candidates shall not circulate synthetically created or AI-manipulated media (deepfakes) intended to deceive voters or damage the reputation of any fellow contestant.
11. The use of mass media (print, electronic, digital) for partisan publicity disguised as news is prohibited.
12. The candidates shall keep a regular tab on all their social media handles to ensure compliance in this regard.

Physical campaigning, meetings & venues

13. Promotional cards must not exceed the size of 4" x 6". Unsolicited distribution of cards or any propaganda material and/or affixation thereof on the building/walls within the Court premises is strictly prohibited.
14. The promotional cards/vision document or any other kind of informational material should have details of Enrolment number and date of Enrolment with the Himachal Pradesh Bar Council.

Polling day Regulations

15. No canvassing is permitted thirty-six hours before the commencement of polling. No propaganda or canvassing in any manner or form is permitted on the day of election.
16. Except the voters, no one without a valid Identity Card/letter of authority issued by the Election Committee shall enter the Designated Polling Area on the Polling Day and the earmarked sitting area outside the counting station till the conclusion of counting and declaration of results.
17. Hiring vehicles to ferry voters to or from the polling venue is strictly prohibited.
18. No eatables are allowed on polling day; only drinking water may be served.
19. Use of loudspeakers/ megaphones/sound enhancing acoustic devices or vehicles causing noise nuisance within or outside Court premises/polling station during the campaign period or the day of the election/voting shall remain strictly prohibited.
20. The use of mobile phones, cameras of any kind, and scanners is strictly prohibited within the polling booth and the polling hall by any candidate, supporter, or voter.

21. The candidate and their supporters shall not carry or possess any firearms or other weapons during the campaign period or on the days of polling.

Enforcement

22. Any violation of this Code of Conduct, including but not limited to the use of muscle power, or financial malpractices, constitutes misconduct.
23. Violation of these Rules shall result in disqualification and potential removal from the rolls of the Himachal Pradesh Bar Council.

Date:

CANDIDATE

CHECK-LIST OF NOMINATION PAPER

Name of the contesting candidate: _____

1.	Number of Nomination Papers received				
		(Mention "✓" for Yes & "X" for No)			
		Nomination Form No.1	Nomination Form No.2	Nomination Form No.3	Nomination Form No.4
2.	Whether Photograph of the Candidate affixed				
3.	Whether Candidate's name is on the Electoral Roll				
4.	Whether the Candidate has signed the Candidate Form				
5.	Whether Proposer's name is on the Electoral Roll				
6.	Whether Seconder's name is on the Electoral Roll				
7.	Whether Proposer and Seconder have signed the Form				
8.	Whether undertaking is duly Signed by the Candidate				
9.	Whether Profile/Vision of the Candidate submitted				
10.	Whether MCC accepted				
11.	Whether all the mandatory columns have been duly filed in (if no, details thereof)				
12.	Details of DD/ Banker's Cheque attached with Nomination Form				

Date: _____

Candidate/ Authorised Representative

ORDER OF RETURNING OFFICER

ACCEPTED/ REJECTED

If rejected reasons thereof _____

(RETURNING OFFICER/OBSERVOR)

**CHECK-LIST & RECEIPT OF NOMINATION FORM
(CANDIDATE'S COPY)**

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5.	Whether Proposer's name is on the Electoral Roll				
6.	Whether Secunder's name is on the Electoral Roll				
7.	Whether Proposer and Secunder have signed the Form				
8.	Whether undertaking is duly Signed by the Candidate				
9.	Whether Profile/Vision of the Candidate submitted				
10.	Whether MCC accepted				
11.	Whether all the mandatory columns have been duly filed in (if no, details thereof)				

Received the Nomination Form(s) of _____

Enrolment No. _____ alongwith the Demand Draft/ Banker's Cheque No. _____ dated _____ for a sum of Rs.1,25,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty-Five Thousand) drawn in favour of "_____ Account" against receipt No. _____ dated _____

Date: _____

Authorised Representative