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A lot of old timers at USM are watching the reports about Lee Gore practicing law without a license. Talk around campus is that something is really screwy about UWF's claims that Lee passed the bar in February [2013], but still doesn't have a license. What is going on?

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I can only tell you my experience. When my wife and I moved to Mississippi, she had to submit an application containing a mountain of information before sitting for the bar exam. (Like Lee, she was already licensed in another state.) Once she got word she passed the Mississippi Bar, a local judge swore her in because the firm she was going to work for wanted her to have a license and have it quickly. There was a mass ceremony in Jackson a few weeks later. It is hard to believe Lee passed the exam but didn't bother to submit paperwork necessary for his job.

By the way, late last night we received a copy of a letter from the Florida Bar Association to Lee Gore stating in part "The Committee has determined that your duties as General Counsel do constitute the unlicensed practice of law...". [Click here](#) for the entire letter.

