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JULY 2021 UNIFORM BAR EXAM

Exam Application Period –
May 3rd to May 21st 5:00 PM Eastern Time (Late applications will not be accepted)

Accommodation Requests
April 1st to May 21st 5:00 PM Eastern Time

Computer Registration and Software Installation
June 17th to July 1st 5:00 PM Eastern Time

Deadline to complete and upload Mock Exams
July 13th 5:00 PM Eastern Time

Dates for Uploading Exam Materials
July 20th to July 22nd 5:00 PM Eastern Time

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July 22nd 5:00 PM Eastern Time

Exam Format, General Schedule

The July 2021 Uniform Bar Exam (UBE) will be administered remotely. As a remote exam, the exam will be administered electronically. All applicants are required to provide their own computer, with webcam and internet for the exam.

The exam is *not "on-line".* The encrypted application materials will be downloaded the week before the exam (see above). Internet service is needed on the day of the exam *before* the exam for check in and retrieving the exam password. Internet access is needed after the exam to upload exam responses and the video recording of the session. Applicants will not need access to the internet to write the exam.

All applicants will take all sections of the UBE. For more information on the UBE regarding how exam questions are developed, sample questions, free study aids and more: https://www.ncbex.org/pdfviewer/?file=%2Fdmsdocument%2F209

Applicants must take the exam according to the published schedule. Issues other than technical problems that may arise during the exam will not excuse the applicant from adhering to the schedule. Adhering to the schedule means entering the exam no more than fifteen minutes before or after the published scheduled start and end times. The time allotted for an exam session is pre-programmed. An applicant will not gain time on the exam by starting early, nor will an applicant lose time on the exam by starting late. **Any technical issues that cause late entry of more than 15 minutes after the scheduled exam time must be reported after the exam session to: dcbarexam@dcappeals.gov**

The **standard administration** of the exam will take place July 27, 28 2021. All times for the exam will be in Eastern Time. There are no exceptions. Applicants are responsible for determining the corresponding time in the jurisdiction where they take the exam.

The **standard administration** exam consists of four (4) sessions on each day of the exam. Each testing session is 90 minutes long. There is a 30 minute break in between the two morning sessions, a 90 minute break between the morning and afternoon—and a 30 minute break between the two afternoon sessions.

Standard Administration

Tuesday July 27	9:00 am – 10:30 am	11:00 am – 12:30 pm	12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	2:00 pm – 3:30pm	4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
	MPT 1	MPT 2	BREAK for Lunch	MEE1 – 3	MEE4 -6
Wednesday July 28	9:00 am – 10:30 am	11:00 am – 12:30 pm	12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	2:00 pm – 3:30pm	4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
	MBE 1-50	MBE 51-100	BREAK for Lunch	MBE 101-150	MBE 151 - 200

The **non-standard administration of the exam for applicants receiving accommodations based on an ADA disability** will take place July 27, 28, 29 & 30, 2021. On all days of the exam the first session of the day will begin at 9:00 am. All times for the exam will be in Eastern Time. Applicants are responsible for determining the corresponding time in the jurisdiction where they take the exam. There are no exceptions.

The **non-standard administration** exam consists of 16 sessions with 30 to 90 minute breaks in between sessions. Each applicant will receive the exam schedule with the grant letter.

Non-Standard Administration for Applicants with ADA Disabilities

Remote Schedule For Applicants Granted Test Accommodations For A Disability

The precise start time of each session will be outlined in each applicant's determination letter.
All breaks between sessions are at least 30 minutes.

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MEE 1 (30 Minutes)	MBE 1-25 (45 Minutes)	MBE 100-125 (45 Minutes)	MPT 1 (90 Minutes)
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
MEE 2 (30 Minutes)	MBE 26-50 (45 Minutes)	MBE 126-150 45 Minutes)	MPT 2 (90 Minutes)
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	
MEE 3 (30 Minutes)	MBE 51-75 (45 Minutes)	BREAK	
BREAK	BREAK	MBE 151-175 (45 Minutes)	
MEE 4 (30 Minutes)	MBE 76-100 (45 Minutes)	BREAK	
BREAK		MBE 176-200 (45 Minutes)	
MEE 5 (30 Minutes)			
BREAK			
MEE 6 (30 Minutes)			

- **The above schedule represents the order of test session on each day (the specific times of each session will be outlined in the applicant's grant letter).**
- **Additional testing time awarded (25%, 50%, 100%) will be added to the above times.**
- **All schedules will start at the same time each day (but will end at different times depending on the amount of extra testing time that is awarded).**
- **During the MPT sessions, which cannot be broken into shorter segments, applicants granted test accommodations for a disability will be able to leave the view of the webcam for any necessary restroom break.**

Exam Policy Regarding Feminine Products, Medication and Health Related Items

With the remote administration of the exam, applicants will test in a location of their choosing. Additionally, applicants will have a half hour breaks between each test session which will facilitate applicants' ability to access needed personal and health related items*. **It is not necessary for applicants to present these items to the camera**. Permitted items of a personal health nature include, but are not limited to: feminine products, prescription medication, over the counter pain, allergy and flu medication, and medical devices (e.g. glucose monitor). ***Applicants who need to access ANY personal item or medication at any time during the exam should do so if it is not possible to delay until the break without creating a personal emergency.***

Exam Software

Examplify

All applicants who intend to take the exam must have Examplify, the exam software, downloaded to the device they will use for the exam. Examplify will be the tool for downloading the mock exams as well as the exam materials.

Mock Exams

Mock exams are mandatory. Mock exam *are not* evaluated. Mock exams provide applicants with the opportunity to:

1. Confirm that Examplify functions properly on their device
2. Navigate the software using examples of each type of exam question
3. Practice on the software to develop familiarity to facilitate the exam experience

Exam ID – Deferred Verification

Applicants are required to take a baseline photo when they register for the exam. This photo will be compared against photos taken for each exam on the day of the exam. This is not a "facial recognition" process. No one will be excluded from the exam based on these photos. If an exam day photo is flagged as not matching the baseline photo, there will be a human review after the exam (i.e. "deferred verification"). To avoid needing to take more than one photo for an exam session, please follow the tips below.

Tips on taking photos for the exam verification process

- Think "**INSTAGRAM**" for the quality you are looking for.
- Ensure that you are in a well-lit area and that **the light on your face is brighter than the light behind you**. Turn on lights to **illuminate your face**.
- Increase the **screen brightness** of your device.
- Arrange your workspace so that you are **not sitting with your back to a window** or similar light source. Light behind you will create shadows on your face.
- If you are testing in a location where you are required to wear a mask, remove your mask for the photo.

Exam Sessions are recorded on video
As with an in-person exam, the administration of the remote exam has security protocols in place to ensure the integrity of the exam. In lieu of live proctors, the exam sessions will be recorded for review after the exam. Applicants are to remain in the frame of the camera for the duration of the exam. If an applicant must take a restroom break, or move out of the frame of the camera for any purpose, the applicant is to briefly state the reason on the video. At no time should applicants state their name during the video. Applicants will not be asked to present personally identifying information during the exam. The testing environment should be free of any personally identifying information.

After the exam the recorded session will automatically upload securely to ExamSoft. All sessions will undergo preliminary review by artificial intelligence that is programmed to detect behavior or incidents that may indicate exam conduct violations (e.g. the presence of study materials, prolonged absences, multiple individuals in the proximity of the exam taker, dual monitors, etc.) This initial flagging will be followed up by a human review. A determination of an exam conduct violation will only be made by human review.

A Security Memo and Code of Conduct will be issued to further clarify what constitutes exam conduct violations.

Videos will not be preserved beyond the time needed for the purpose of confirming conduct during the exam sessions. Further information regarding privacy and security of Applicant information will be provided in the security memo Applicants will receive before the exam.

Passing Score

The passing score for the District of Columbia February 2021 Remote Exam for Bar Admission ("remote exam") is the same as for the Uniform Bar Exam ("UBE"): **266**. The weighting for the remote exam will be same as for the UBE: 20% Multistate Performance Test, 30% Multistate Essay Examination and 50% Multiple Choice Questions. Please note that although the Multiple Choice questions are taken from the National Conference of Bar Examiners' Multistate Bar Exam, the 100 questions used on the remote exam do not constitute an "MBE".

Reciprocity

The District of Columbia has reciprocity with all other UBE jurisdictions.

Good luck with your exam study!

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