

Bar Exam Snapshot: District of Columbia*

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Bar exam

2010 exam dates and locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 24 (location TBD) - Tuesday, July 27 and Wednesday, July 28 (location TBD)
MEE subjects (MBE in bold)	Agency, Commercial Paper, Constitutional Law, Contracts , Conflict of Laws, Corporations, Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence , Family Law, Federal Civil Procedure, Partnerships, Real Property , Sales, Secured Transactions, Torts , Trusts and Future Interests, and Wills
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday = written exam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two MPTs (45 points, 90 minutes each) - Six MEE questions (15 points, 30 minutes each) - Wednesday = MBE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 200 total multiple choice questions (100 each administered in morning/afternoon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 33 questions in Contracts and Torts - 31 questions in Con Law, Criminal Law/Procedure, Evidence, and Real Property - 190 graded questions, 10 experimental questions (indistinguishable) - 1.8 minutes per question
Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MBE = 50%, MPT = 25%, MEE = 25% - Written portion worth 180 points – scaled to MBE - Minimum scaled scores of 133 on MBE, 133 on written portion - Must achieve combined scaled score of 266
MPRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum score = 75 - Must submit copy of score report with application (even if designated DC as reporting jurisdiction)!! - Have one year from date of examination results to submit score report
Pass %	February 2009 = 57% first time takers, 44% all takers
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No laptop program, but can use a typewriter - No dress code - Report by 8:30 AM, departure expected approximately 4:40 PM - Bring photo ID, see Committee website for long list of what NOT to bring

Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>D.C. Court of Appeals, Committee on Admissions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historic Courthouse, 430 East St. NW, Room 123, Washington, DC 20001 - 202.879.2710, Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM - coa@dcapeals.gov
Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - February 2010 exam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timely deadline: 4:00 PM on December 15; late deadline: 4:00 PM on December 30 - July 2010 exam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timely deadline: 4:00 PM on May 3; late deadline: 4:00 PM on May 18 - Deadlines are “received” dates
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Separate certified check, cashier’s check, or money order for EACH of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$100, exam application, payable to “Clerk, D.C. Court of Appeals” - \$200, late exam application, payable to “Clerk, D.C. Court of Appeals” - \$40, NCBE written exam, payable to “National Conference of Bar Examiners” - \$52, NCBE MBE exam, payable to “National Conference of Bar Examiners” - \$?, character report, payable to “National Conference of Bar Examiners” (not known)
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application must be typed – handwritten applications not accepted - Application must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Original plus one photocopy of character and fitness application and D.C. specific forms - Proof of law school graduation (Certificate A) form - Examination Registration Questionnaire - Attestation Page – must be signed/notarized within five days of application date - Three Authorization and Release forms – must be signed/notarized within five days of application date - Receipt of application acknowledged by mail the following month - Admission ticket mailed 10 days prior to exam
Character and Fitness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must use application form supplied by NCBE - Must file original plus one photocopy

Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Results released mid-May for February exam, mid-November for July exam - Pass list posted on Committee website and D.C. Bar website - Successful applicants notified in writing of MBE scaled score - Unsuccessful applicants notified in writing of all scores - Unsuccessful applicants can review essays and model answers at specified date and time
Admission to bar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must appear in person to administer oath and sign roll of attorneys - Committee will provide by letter two dates upon which to appear (one three weeks later, and one seven weeks later) - Must appear within 90 days

*** All state bar exam information is subject to change without notice; please verify with bar examiner’s office.**