POST BAR EXAM FAQs

The following are post bar exam FAQs about various topics. These FAQs are a living document. They are subject to revision and will be supplemented and updated as additional information and questions come to the attention of the State Bar.

CHAPTER 6 NOTICE

1. What is a Chapter 6 Notice?
   - A Chapter 6 Notice is issued during or following an exam administration. For remotely proctored exams they may be issued during the video-review process. These notices are issued when an applicant is observed exhibiting conduct or seen/heard with prohibited items. You can read through the guidelines here.

2. What is the process following the issue of a notice?
   - After an applicant receives a Chapter 6 Notice, they have 10 days to respond to that notice, either through the Applicant Portal or by mailing a response back to the address on the notice.
   - The notice itself is not a finding of a violation, nor a sanction. The Chapter 6 Notice will be additionally reviewed by State Bar staff and will either be affirmed with a sanction or not affirmed.
   - For Chapter 6 Notices that are affirmed and are disputable, an applicant can ask for an administrative hearing. More information about administrative hearing procedures is available here.

3. Which violations are indisputable, and which ones are disputable?
   - Please refer to this matrix to see which violations are disputable and which ones are indisputable.

4. If my violation relates to something on my video proctoring file, can I see that video myself?
   - If the violation is disputable, and you request an administrative hearing, you will have the opportunity to review the relevant portions of your video.
5. If I have a pending Chapter 6 review matter, will I still be able to register for the February 2021 California bar exam?
   • Yes, applicants whose Chapter 6 review matters are pending will be able to register for the February 2021 bar exam during the time window for immediate repeaters, between January 2 and January 25.

UPDATES
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• Added new question #5 under Chapter 6 Notice