

THE COMMITTEE OF BAR EXAMINERS /OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS
THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA



**INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION TO TAKE
THE OCTOBER 2005 FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS' EXAMINATION**

Please carefully read these instructions. Each applicant must be aware of all the requirements that follow and comply with those that are applicable. The completed application must be typewritten or legibly printed in ink. A separate application must be filed for Registration as a Law Student. The registration application must be submitted online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions. Applicants are encouraged to apply for the First-Year Law Students' Examination online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions.

DATE: Tuesday, October 25, 2005
TIME: Morning and Afternoon

Send completed application with the appropriate fees to:

Office of Admissions
The State Bar of California
Department 7143
Los Angeles, CA 90088-7143

or CERTIFIED MAIL, return receipt send to:
Office of Admissions
The State Bar of California
1149 South Hill Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015-2299

Important Dates and Deadlines for the October 2005 First-Year Law Students' Examination

Timely Filing Deadline	August 1, 2005
Withdrawal Deadline (60% refund)	August 31, 2005
Withdrawal Deadline (30% refund)	September 15, 2005
Final Deadline to Withdraw from Examination(No Refund)	October 11, 2005
Final Filing Deadline	September 15, 2005
Change of Address	September 15, 2005
Test Center Change Request	September 15, 2005
Testing Accommodations Petition Final Filing Deadline	September 15, 2005
Laptop Certification Deadline	October 3, 2005
Final Law School Certification Deadline	October 3, 2005
Final Eligibility Deadline	October 11, 2005

THE FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS' EXAMINATION is administered in the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas in June and October. The examination includes both essay and multiple-choice questions. All law students who have completed one year of law study are eligible to apply for the First-Year Law Students' Examination.

The First-Year Law Students' Examination is administered in one day. The morning session is a maximum of four hours in duration, and the afternoon session is a maximum of three hours. Four (4) essay questions are given during the morning session and 100 multiple-choice questions during the afternoon session. There is a lunch break between sessions.

PERSONS REQUIRED TO TAKE THE FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS' EXAMINATION

Rule VIII, Section 1(b) of the *Rules Regulating Admission to Practice Law in California (Rules)* states:

"An applicant who is required to take the First-Year Law Students' Examination shall not receive credit for any law study until the applicant has passed the examination. An applicant who passes the examination within three consecutive administrations of first becoming eligible to take the examination upon completion of one year of law study, shall receive credit for all law study completed to the date of the administration of the examination passed. An applicant who does not pass the examination within three consecutive administrations of first becoming eligible to take the examination but who subsequently passes the examination shall receive credit for his or her first year of law study only."

EXEMPTION FROM THE FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS' EXAMINATION

Rule VIII, Section 1(a) of the *Rules* states:

"Every person who intends to seek admission as a general applicant shall take the First-Year Law Students' Examination following completion of one year of law study unless such person:

- "(1) Has passed the bar examination of a United States jurisdiction, a possession, territory, or dependency the United States may hereafter acquire or of a country where the common law of England constitutes the basis of jurisprudence; or
- "(2) Has satisfactorily completed the first year course of instruction in a law school accredited by the Committee or approved or provisionally approved by the American Bar Association at the time of the applicant's matriculation or at the time the applicant completes the first year of instruction and had completed at least two years of college work as defined in Section 1, Rule VII of these *Rules* prior to matriculating in such accredited or approved law school."

A general applicant shall be deemed to have satisfactorily completed the first-year course of instruction in an accredited law school when he or she is advanced to the second-year course of instruction at the same accredited law school, whether or not on probation.

EXEMPT APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT PASS THE EXAMINATION

Rule VIII, Section 1(e) of the *Rules* states, in part:

". . . An exempt applicant who unsuccessfully takes the examination shall not be subject to any of the sanctions, requirements, or law study credit limitations which are otherwise imposed by this Rule on unsuccessful non-exempt applicants."

EXAMINATION ADMINISTRATION RULES AND POLICIES

Failure to follow oral and written instructions while the examination is in session will result in notice to the Committee of a violation of examination rules in accordance with Rule XII, *Rules Regulating Admission to Practice Law in California (Rules)*. Conduct that results in a violation of security or disrupts the administration of the examination, which includes, but is not limited to, carrying unauthorized items into the examination room, writing or typing after time has been called, looking at another applicant's papers, talking while the examination is in session, being abusive to other applicants, staff, proctors and/or other examination personnel, could result in notice to the Committee of a violation of examination rules or, in some cases, dismissal from the examination test center. Applicants are expected at all times to maintain a professional attitude toward other applicants, staff, proctors and other examination personnel. Behavior that is disruptive will be reported to the Committee for possible consideration in connection with an applicant's moral character determination.

Only the following items are allowed into the test centers without prior approval:

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| 1. The examination materials distributed | 6. Highlighters | 13. Inhalers | 19. Eyeglasses |
| 2. Pencils or pens | 7. Back Support | 14. Crutches | 20. Ear plugs or plastic material normally associated with the sport of swimming |
| 3. Silent analog watches, timers and clocks not measuring larger than 4"X4" inches or smaller | 8. Up to two pillows without cases | 15. Wheelchairs | 21. Feminine hygiene items |
| 4. Rulers | 9. One book stand | 16. Casts | 22. Medicine |
| 5. Paper clips | 10. One foot rest | 17. Hearing aids | 23. Wallets |
| | 11. Splints | 18. TENS Units | |
| | 12. Braces | | |

Applicants who wish to bring items into an examination test center that are not listed above must file a request for testing accommodations using the appropriate Committee forms, which must be filed in conformance with Committee policies no later than the Testing accommodations petition final filing deadline. Permission to use specific items will not be granted as a matter of convenience or preference. Applicants cannot bring gum, candy or other food or drinks into the examination room.

TEST CENTER ENVIRONMENT

While every effort will be made to keep the temperature of the test center at an appropriate level, applicants should be prepared for either warm or cold temperatures. Additionally, efforts will be made to keep the test center quiet, but there may be forces outside the control of the Committee so that such an environment cannot be guaranteed. Applicants should come prepared to accommodate other noises, such as those made by other applicants taking the examination, equipment inside or outside the test center that may make sounds while operating, other meetings or conventions in the same facility, etc. Ear plugs are strongly recommended.

EXAMINATION TEST CENTERS

Smoking is prohibited at test centers located in buildings that do not allow smoking in accordance with city ordinance.

Each applicant should select the Test Center at which he/she wishes to take the examination and enter the name on the line and the code in the boxes provided on the application form. Assignment to an applicant’s preferred test center cannot be guaranteed. Only those applicants with permanent disabilities who have previously been granted testing accommodations and who wish to request the exact same accommodations should select a testing accommodations test center (those with a code number starting with an “S”). Selection of a testing accommodations test center initiates the request for testing accommodations for this administration of the examination and does not guarantee assignment to that test center. All other applicants with disabilities should select from the non-testing accommodations test centers listed. If after filing the application form, applicants are granted accommodations, in most cases, they will be assigned to a testing accommodations test center in the general area of their first choice. Notice of the test center to which they have been assigned will be forwarded with the letter advising them of the accommodations granted/modified/denied. Applicants unsure whether their disabilities are permanent or temporary should clarify their status prior to the final filing deadline. Deadlines will not be extended in those cases where an applicant had a temporary disability and did not file a new petition by the final filing deadline.

Pasadena Convention Center 300 East Green Street Pasadena	Code W102 – Writers Code L102 – Laptop Computer
Office of Admissions The State Bar of California 1149 South Hill Street, Los Angeles	Code S105 – Testing Accommodations
South San Francisco Conf. Center 255 South Airport Blvd. South San Francisco	Code W603 – Writers Code L603 – Laptop Computer Code S604 – Testing Accommodations

FEES

All applicants must pay the required fees.

First-Year Law Students' Examination	\$428.00
Laptop Computer Fee	\$104.00
Late Laptop Computer Fee (Request submitted subsequent to filing application)	\$ 15.00

Checks should be made payable to **The State Bar Of California.**

TIMELY FILING DEADLINE

To avoid payment of a late filing fee, an application must be received in the State Bar's Office of Admissions or postmarked on or before the timely filing deadline. The Office of Admissions is not responsible for lost, misdirected, or postage-due mail. Checks or money orders must have a current date. Post-dated checks will not be accepted. If a post-dated check is received, the application will be returned and if the application is then properly submitted, any late filing fee in effect at that time will be charged.

LATE FILING INFORMATION

In addition to the application fee, all applications filed between the dates listed below must be accompanied by a late filing fee:

	DATES	LATE FILING FEES
FROM:	August 2, 2005 - August 31, 2005	\$ 25.00
	September 1, 2005 - September 15, 2005	\$200.00

TIMELY FILING/LATE FEES

For the purpose of determining the need for a late filing fee and the amount, if required, an application will not be deemed filed until the proper fees are paid. For an application to be considered filed on a particular date, it must have been postmarked by the filing deadline.

To be accepted, an application and fees must be received by the Office of Admissions or postmarked on or before the final filing deadline. **Applications postmarked after the final filing deadline will not be accepted.**

APPLICATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT

An application acknowledgment letter will be sent after receipt of an application. Applicants who do not receive acknowledgment letters should contact the Office of Admissions.

APPLICATION ABANDONMENT

An application that is not brought to a complete and filed status by the final filing deadline will be abandoned. This includes requisite fees, signature and/or the required documentation. Once the application is filed, if the applicant receives notice to provide information, but does not provide such information by the final filing deadline, the application will be abandoned. No refund of fees will be paid in the event an application is abandoned. Any outstanding fees will be required to be paid before the applicant is allowed to submit any future application.

RETURNED CHECKS

A charge will be assessed when checks are not negotiated and are subsequently returned. **Any late filing fee in effect at the time the check is covered will also be required. Stopping payment on a check, dishonoring a check or disputing a credit card charge does not constitute withdrawing from an examination. Applicants who do so will be required to return the fees and pay any additional fees required with a money order or cashier's check prior to being allowed to take any future examination.** All required fees must be paid by the final filing deadline or the application will be abandoned and no refund of fees will be paid.

REGISTRATION AS A LAW STUDENT

Any person submitting an Application to take the First-Year Law Students' Examination must have registered as a law student with the Committee of Bar Examiners (Committee) prior to submitting the application in compliance with Section 6060 of the Business and Professions Code and Rule V of the *Rules*. If an applicant has not done so, a separate "**Registration**" application must be completed and filed with the appropriate registration fee and late fee. **Registration is only available online** at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions. The registration may be filed simultaneously with the application to take the First-Year Law Students' Examination, although earlier filing is strongly encouraged. If an applicant fails to have an approved registration on file within 10 days following the receipt of their examination application, the examination application will be terminated and a refund of the applicant's application fees will be processed. If an applicant decides to register and reapply after their application has been terminated, the applicant will be subject to any applicable deadlines and late fees.

REPEATERS

A new application must be completed and filed with the appropriate fees for each examination.

COMPLETION OF APPLICATION

Before filing the application, the applicant should make sure that he/she has an approved registration on file with the Committee, should check to confirm that all questions have been answered, the application is signed and the correct fees are included. Any application not meeting these requirements is considered incomplete, will not be considered filed and will not be processed until it is brought to a complete status. If an application is considered incomplete a completion fee of \$20.00 will be required, in addition to any late fees applicable at the time the application is brought to a complete and filed status. Applications that are not brought to a complete and filed status by the final filing deadline will be abandoned. No refund of fees will be paid in the event an application is abandoned.

Applicants should retain a copy of their completed application for reference in the event that another application must be filed in the future.

PROOF OF LAW STUDY

Following the filing of the application to take the First-Year Law Students' Examination, certification forms will be mailed to the applicant's law school for completion. The school must certify the applicant's completion of one year of law study in compliance with the *Rules Regulating Admission to Practice Law in California*. The required certification must be provided by the final eligibility deadline. If the law school fails to provide such certification, the applicant will be notified 10 business days prior to the deadline. If proof of law study is not provided by the final eligibility deadline, the application will be abandoned and no refund of fees will be paid.

The school must also submit a certified law school transcript. It can be submitted with the certification or separately no later than 15 days following administration of the examination. Failure to do so will result in the applicant's eligibility status being voided and the applicant will not be eligible for any subsequent examination until the transcript is received. If an applicant's law school requires that the applicant personally request transcripts and/or pay a transcript fee, the applicant will need to fulfill the requirements for the release of the required transcripts.

Note: Foreign educated applicants should contact the Office of Admissions regarding eligibility before filing an application.

FOREIGN EDUCATED APPLICANTS

An applicant who has received his/her legal education outside the United States and whose evaluation for determination of eligibility to take the California Bar Examination required passing the First-Year Law Students' Examination will receive credit as is determined by the State Bar's Office of Admissions.

THOSE DEEMED TO BE INELIGIBLE

Applicants for an examination who are subsequently found not to have completed the requisite legal education will be deemed ineligible. Such applicants are entitled to a 60% refund of all qualifying fees paid in connection with the examination. **No refund will be processed unless academic deficiency is substantiated by certified law school transcripts, and such transcripts indicating all law study completed must be received by the Office of Admissions no later than the final eligibility deadline.**

WITHDRAWALS/ABSENCES/INELIGIBLES

In order to withdraw from the examination, the Withdrawal Form at the end of these instructions should be used, or a letter may be sent to the Los Angeles Office of Admissions. Withdrawal requests received after the final withdrawal deadline will not be processed. An applicant who withdraws from the examination or is absent, or is deemed ineligible, is subject to the same filing deadlines as applicants who did not take the previous examination and must file a new application.

Request for reinstatement of an application will be honored only if accompanied by all appropriate fees including the current late filing fee in effect at the time of reinstatement. No request for reinstatement will be honored after the final filing deadline for the examination being administered.

WITHDRAWAL REFUND POLICY

Request to withdraw from the October 2005 First-Year Law Students Examination must be post marked on or before the dates listed below in order to qualify for a refund.

DATE	PERCENTAGE
August 31, 2005 (30 days after timely filing deadline)	60% refund
September 15, 2005 (45 days after timely filing deadline)	30% refund

Refunds requested due to hospitalization, death, or call to active duty will be considered in accordance with the Committee's policy. A copy of the Committee of Bar Examiners' Refund of Fees Policy and Refund Request Form are available online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions.

If an applicant qualifies for a refund in accordance with the Refund of Fees Policy, but has an outstanding balance due, the net refund amount will be the qualifying refund amount minus the corresponding portion of the fees owed.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Office of Admissions **in writing** of any address change on or before the final address change deadline. Any address change received after that date cannot be processed in time for the change to appear on the admittance card. In order for the Office of Admissions of The State Bar of California to update an applicant's address in its records, the request must be accompanied by a photocopy of one piece of identification. Accepted examples: Driver's License, Passport, CA Identification Card, Military ID Card, or Birth Certificate. A form for submitting an address change is available online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions.

THE USE OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS

Applicants wishing to use a laptop computer must select a laptop computer test center and pay the additional non-refundable fee. This includes applicants with disabilities who elect to use a computer. Applicants must furnish their own laptop computers. Refer to the online bulletin at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions for the requirements for participation in the laptop computer program.

TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR APPLICANTS WITH DISABILITIES

Applicants with disabilities are encouraged to make arrangements for testing accommodations well in advance of an examination and should file a petition no later than at the time an application to take an examination is filed. Initial processing of a petition generally takes a minimum of 30 days and processing of petitions requiring review by outside consultants retained by the Committee or those requiring applicants to submit additional documentation may take longer. In order to ensure that processing is completed timely and that applicants are able to avail themselves of all administrative remedies, early filing is strongly encouraged.

All petitions for testing accommodations **based upon disabilities existing prior to the testing accommodations petition final filing deadline, must be received by the Committee no later than the final filing deadline for testing accommodations petitions, although earlier filing is strongly encouraged.** The fact that an applicant was unable to get an appointment with his/her specialist before the final filing deadline, is not grounds for consideration as an emergency petition. Petitions may be filed prior to filing an application for the examination; however, the applicant must be registered with the Committee, otherwise the petition will not be processed. Requests for new or expanded accommodations from applicants who received accommodations during previous examinations must also be received no later than the testing accommodations final filing deadline and must be filed separately, on the Committee's form, from the examination application form.

Testing accommodations are available to individuals with mental or physical disabilities as defined under Rule XVII of the *Rules*. Depending on the nature of the disability, accommodations may include assistants (i.e. readers, helpers, etc.), wheelchair access, permission to dictate, customized timing, separate testing room, customized examination materials (i.e. braille, large print, etc.), and permission to bring and use specific items or medical aids. The applicant and his/her physician/specialist should request what they think is necessary to allow the applicant to compete on an equal basis with all other applicants and provide adequate rationale to support their request.

The Committee's policies, procedures and forms to file a petition for testing accommodations are available online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions or upon request.

Applicants with permanent disabilities who have previously been granted testing accommodations and who wish to request the exact same accommodations should select a testing accommodations test center (those with a code number starting with an "S").

Petitions without the required documentation will not be considered complete until all necessary documentation is received, which must be no later than the final filing deadline. Subsequent requests for testing accommodations and new petitions for testing accommodations received after the final filing deadline will not be processed for the October 2005 administration of the First-Year Law Students' Examination.

ALL first-time petitions, requests for expanded accommodations and petitions filed by applicants with a temporary disability must be filed separately from the application for the examination and must be on the Committee's forms. Petitions, with all necessary forms and documentation, must be received by the Committee no later than the testing accommodations petition final filing deadline.

DEADLINES WILL NOT BE EXTENDED.

Petitions should be sent to the San Francisco Office of Admissions. Applicants with disabilities requesting to use a computer must pay the applicable fee. If, however, an applicant's disability directly relates to use of a computer, a request for a refund of the fee paid may be filed with the Testing Accommodations department in San Francisco. The request for a refund must be accompanied by the appropriate documentation.

PICTURE ID REQUIRED

During the morning session of the examination, applicants will be asked to show a photograph ID card (Driver's License, California Identification Card, Passport or photograph employment badge) for the purpose of verification of identity. **Applicants must carry this photograph identification card at all times during the examination. Applicants who fail to provide such identification prior to the start of the afternoon session will not be allowed to continue the examination and their examination papers will not be graded.**

ADMITTANCE CARDS

Admittance cards are mailed to eligible applicants four to six weeks prior to the administration of the examination. Any applicant not receiving an admittance card **two weeks prior to the examination** and who has not otherwise been notified of being ineligible, must contact the Office of Admissions to secure a duplicate ticket.

EXAMINATION ATTENDANCE POLICY

An applicant that does not attend a required, scheduled examination session, will not be permitted to attend any remaining examination sessions(s). For instance, if an applicant is not present for the morning session of the examination, the applicant will not be allowed to take the afternoon session.

GRADING OF THE EXAMINATION

All examination answers submitted will be graded. This includes the answers of applicants who may get ill during the examination and do not complete the examination in its entirety.

The passing score for the First-Year Law Students' Examination is a total scaled score of 560 or higher.

An applicant's multiple-choice score will be the number of items answered correctly. Multiple-choice raw scores will be converted to a 400-point scale. This process adjusts for the possible differences between administrations of the examination in the average difficulty of their multiple-choice items. As a result, an applicant's multiple-choice score will not be affected by the difficulty of the particular version of the examination that the applicant takes.

An applicant's raw score on an essay question can range between 40 and 100. Total raw essay scores can therefore range between 160 and 400 points. Total raw essay scores will be converted to the same 400-point scale of measurement as that used for multiple-choice portion. This is done to adjust for the possible differences between administrations of the examination in the average difficulty of their essay questions and for variations in grader standards. Consequently, an applicant's adjusted essay score on the 400-point scale will not be affected by possible differences between

administrations in the difficulty of the essay questions or by fluctuations in grader standards.

An applicant's total score on the examination is the sum of that applicant's converted scores on the multiple-choice and essay sections. This step gives these sections equal weight in determining the total score. Applicants need a total scaled score of 560 or higher to pass the examination.

SUBJECTS TESTED ON THE EXAMINATION

The subjects covered in this examination are: Contracts, Criminal Law, and Torts. An answer based upon legal theories and principles of general applicability is sufficient; detailed knowledge of California law is not required. All of Article 1 and all of Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code should be used where pertinent.

FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS' EXAMINATION STUDY AIDS

Materials that might be of assistance to applicants in determining what the Committee desires in an answer to a First-Year Law Students' Examination question are available in the form of Essay Questions and Selected Answer booklets. Forms to order materials are available online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions. Essay questions and selected answers from past administrations of the examination are available free of charge online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions.

RULES REGULATING ADMISSION TO PRACTICE LAW IN CALIFORNIA (RULES)

The Application to Take the First-Year Law Students' Examination will be processed in accordance with the *Rules*. The current *Rules* are available online at www.calbar.ca.gov/admissions.

FURTHER COMMUNICATION

An official record of all communications is required. The Committee requests that inquiries be submitted in writing. This will enable the staff to review the applicant's record prior to responding and provide for precise rather than generalized responses. If an inquiry relates to a genuine emergency and requires immediate attention, the following telephone numbers are provided:

First-Year Law Students' Examination Eligibility	(213) 765-1500
TDD Number:	(213) 765-1566

IMPORTANT!

Before mailing the application, the applicant should check the following:

- Is the correct fee included?
- Is the examination Test Center indicated on the application?
- Is each question answered fully and completely?
- Is the application signed?

A \$20.00 Completion fee will be charged for any application which is found to be incomplete in any way.

WITHDRAWAL FORM

Please complete this form if you wish to withdraw from the First-Year Law Students' Examination. Note: Stopping payment on a check, dishonoring a check or disputing a credit card charge does not constitute withdrawing from an examination. Applicants who do so will be required to return the fees and pay any additional fees required with a money order or cashier's check prior to being allowed to take any future examination. Requests received after the final withdrawal deadline will not be processed.

Social Security Number [grid]

Date of Birth [Month] [Day] [Year]

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME [grid]

Last Name

[grid]

First Name

Middle Name

MAILING ADDRESS

It is the applicant's responsibility to inform the Committee in writing of any address changes. All correspondence will be mailed to the current mailing address on file. Address changes must be submitted on the designated form and must be accompanied by the appropriate proof of identity.

[grid]

Number/Street and Apartment Number

[grid]

[grid]

Address Continued

[grid]

City or Non USA City and Country

[grid]

State

[grid]

Zip Code (U.S.)

I _____ hereby withdraw from the _____ First-Year Law Month/Year

Students' Examination

I understand that there is no provision for the transfer of fees from one examination to another and that the only refund I will be entitled to, if any, is that which is specified in the Instruction for Application to Take the First-Year Law Students' Examination. I further understand that if I decide to reinstate my application, the reinstatement request must be received by the Office of Admissions no later than the final filing deadline, and, that I will be subject to any late filing fee applicable at that time. I further understand that if I decide to apply to a future examination, I will be subject to the same filing deadlines as first-time applicants.

Signature _____ Telephone _____ Date _____

TEST CENTER CHANGE FORM

Name _____ Registration No. _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Test center change requests must be received in the Los Angeles Office of Admissions no later than September 15, 2005. If you did not initially select a laptop computer test center, but you are requesting to change to one, you must pay the laptop computer fee and the late laptop computer request fee.

Please indicate below your current and desired test center.

NAME	CODE
FROM	
TO	

Signature _____

Telephone _____

Date _____



Office of Admissions
The State Bar of California

ADDRESS CHANGE FORM

Applicant Registration Number: _____
Date of Birth

Name: _____
Last First Middle

New Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip or Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail: _____

In order for the Office of Admissions of The State Bar of California to update your address in its records, this request must be accompanied by a photocopy of one piece of identification. Accepted examples: Driver's License, Passport, CA Identification Card, Military ID Card, or Birth Certificate.

Identity document attached: _____

Signature: _____ Effective Date:

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Admissions records, including address records maintained by the Office of Admissions, are confidential.

Send Form to: The State Bar of California
Office of Admissions
1149 South Hill Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015-2299

For Official Use Only
DL: _____
Passport: _____
ID Card: _____
Other: _____



THE COMMITTEE OF BAR EXAMINERS
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THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

**OCTOBER 2005 FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS'
EXAMINATION APPLICATION**

Must be typewritten or printed legibly

For Office Use
Only

Application Number

1.1 Examination applying for: October 2005
First-Year Law Students' Examination

1.2 Registration Number #: _____ - _____ - _____ 1.3 Date of Birth: _____
(Social Security #)* Month/Day/Year

1.4 Applicant's Full Name: _____
Last First Middle

1.5 Mailing Address: _____

1.6 Telephone: (_____) _____ - _____ 1.7 Birth Place _____
City/State/Country

It is the applicant's responsibility to submit address changes **in writing** to the State Bar's Office of Admissions. All correspondence will be mailed to current mailing address.

1.8 E-Mail Address: _____

1.9 Test Center Code (See Instructions): _____ 1.10 Test Center Name: _____

1.11 Handwrite Laptop Computer

1.12 Are you an applicant with a disability who has or intends to petition for testing accommodations?
 YES NO

Have you previously applied for a First-Year Law Students' Examination, have you been granted testing accommodations for permanent disabilities and are you requesting exactly the same testing accommodations for this examination?
 YES NO

CAUTION: All first-time petitions, requests for expanded accommodations and petitions filed by applicants with temporary disabilities must be filed separately from the application for the examination, must be on the Committee's forms and must be submitted by the deadline specified in the application instructions.

1.13 Have you previously applied for and/or taken the First-Year Law Students' Examination? Select one: YES NO

If YES, which examination: _____
month/year

1.14 YES NO

I authorize the publication by the Committee of Bar Examiners of such of my examination answers as the Committee may select, it being understood that any publication of any of my answers will not be accompanied by any identification of the writer thereof.

YES NO I further authorize the Committee of Bar Examiners to grant to such persons or entities as the Committee chooses permission to publish such of my examination answers as the Committee selects. I understand I will not be compensated for publication of my answers by either the Committee of Bar Examiners or such persons or entities to whom the Committee grants a license.

*All applicants for admission to practice law are required to provide a social security number pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 30 (State of California's tax enforcement provisions) and Family Code Section 17520 (Child Support Enforcement Program).

2.1 REGISTRATION AS A LAW STUDENT (Rule V, Section 1, *Rules Regulating Admission to Practice Law in California (Rules)*, (Select one):

- Previously registered _____ (A **separate** registration form must have been filed with the State Bar's Office of Admissions. See Instructions)
Month/Year
- Name under which you registered if different: _____

2.2 LEGAL EDUCATION (See Proof of Law Study in "Instructions for Applicants")

Indicate all law study completed even if you do not claim credit for it. Include correspondence law study and law office study.

Note: If you claim credit for law office study, you must have filed Supervising Attorney Reports on the appropriate form, pursuant to Rule VII, Section 7 of the *Rules*.
 Note: Foreign educated applicants should contact the Office of Admissions before filing an application.

Name of School(s) or Law Study Office(s)	<u>Dates Attended</u>			
	From: Month	Year	To: Month	Year

ARE YOU A SPECIAL STUDENT AT AN ACCREDITED LAW SCHOOL? YES NO

WERE YOU EVER ACADEMICALLY DISQUALIFIED FROM AN ACCREDITED LAW SCHOOL? YES NO

If YES, which law school: _____
Law School

DECLARATION

The person named as the applicant in the foregoing application and questionnaire, declares:

I have carefully read the questions in the foregoing questionnaire and have answered them truthfully, fully and completely, without mental reservations of any kind.

I hereby authorize educational or other institutions or agencies to release to the Committee of Bar Examiners (Committee) any information, files, transcripts or records requested by the Committee in connection with the processing of this application.

I further authorize the Committee to release information regarding my application to take the First-Year Law Students' Examination (FYLX) and my FYLX examination pass/fail status to the law school to which I have been or will be allocated for purposes of qualifying to take the FYLX Examination.

I hereby certify that I understand that I must comply with all of the requirements of the *Rules Regulating Admission To Practice Law in California* and I agree to the Committee of Bar Examiners' application policies, including the Refund and Fee/Withdrawal policy, instructions for application to take the FYLX Examination and the examination administration instructions and policies.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that my answers to the foregoing questionnaire and all statements made by me herein are true and correct.

I fully understand that the Committee is the sole judge of the validity of the examination and at its discretion, may determine that the result of any test or any part of any test or any individual's score is not valid. Should the Committee invalidate any part of the test, or if any individual's test is declared invalid or cannot be graded, the Committee may, at its discretion, decide to make a pass/fail decision on the basis of the valid portion of the applicant's test product available to the Committee. Should the Committee at any time determine that an insufficient test product is available upon which to base a valid pass/fail decision, the Committee may require the applicant to present himself/herself for re-testing at a place and time designated by the Committee.

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PRINT: _____
(Last Name) (First Name)

SIGN HERE: _____
(Signature of Declarant)

3.1 SEE ENCLOSED FEE SCHEDULE (The application will not be considered filed unless the proper fee is enclosed.)

Application Fee	\$ _____
Laptop Computer Fee	\$ _____
Late Filing Fee	\$ _____
Total Amount	\$ _____

Make check payable to the State Bar of California.

3.2 Before mailing your application, please check the following:

- Is the correct fee included?
- Is a test center name and code indicated on your application?
- Is each question answered fully and completely?
- Is the application signed?

Any necessary attachments should be stapled to the first page of the application.

An application that is not brought to a complete and filed status by the final filing deadline will be abandoned. No refund of fees will be paid in the event an application is abandoned.

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION, PAYMENT COUPON BELOW AND FEES TO:

The State Bar of California
 Department 7143
 Los Angeles, CA 90088-7143

If an applicant wished to send the application certified with return receipt, the envelope must be mailed to the following address:

Office of Admissions
 The State Bar of California
 1149 South Hill Street
 Los Angeles, CA 90015-2299

This payment coupon must be submitted with your application. Please fill in your name, social security number, and amount paid.

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COUPON 10

PLEASE DETACH PAYMENT COUPON, COMPLETE AND ATTACH IT TO THE FRONT OF THE APPLICATION WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEES.

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Office of Admissions
The State Bar of California

Last Name

Application Fee: \$ 428.00 _____

First Name & Initial

Laptop Computer Fee: \$ 104.00 _____

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Social Security Number

Late Application Fee: \$ 25.00 (A) _____
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TOTAL PAID: _____