Due: February 15, 2020

Note: At its meeting in June 2017, the Council of the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar approved a new Bar Passage Questionnaire. Bar passage information is no longer collected in the Annual Questionnaire. By moving the bar passage data collection to a different questionnaire, the Council will get more timely collection of data.

The new Bar Passage Questionnaire collects both first-time and ultimate bar passage information for purposes of Standard 509: Consumer Information.

Bar Passage of First-time Takers

The information on first-time bar passage is the same as what has been collected previously in the Annual Questionnaire, but requests information for all graduates.

Only those taking the bar examination for the first time may be counted as a first-time taker. While a person might take a bar examination in successive administrations in different jurisdictions and may be taking the examination for the first time in each of those jurisdictions, a person is only reported as a first-time taker when taking the examination for the first time in any jurisdiction.

Reporting on graduates who take the bar examination in a UBE jurisdiction

A graduate who takes the bar examination in a UBE jurisdiction is counted as a first-time taker in the jurisdiction where the examination was taken. The graduate must be reported as having passed or failed as a first-time taker in that jurisdiction. If a second UBE jurisdiction later accepts the score of a graduate who failed in the first jurisdiction, that graduate is not considered a first-time taker in the second jurisdiction but can be counted as a passer for reporting ultimate bar passage results.

Reporting on graduates who take the bar examination twice in one administration

Where a graduate took the bar examination twice in one administration, the graduate shall be reported only once. If the graduate passed or failed in both jurisdictions, the graduate should be reported in the jurisdiction that has the higher number of graduates taking the bar exam. If the graduate passed in only one jurisdiction, the graduate should be reported in that jurisdiction.

The following examples illustrate the reporting on bar exam passage for graduates who took the bar exam for the first time twice in one administration.

Graduates taking the bar exam twice in one administration
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Graduate</th>
<th>Jurisdiction X [higher number of graduates being reported]</th>
<th>Jurisdiction Y [smaller number of graduates being reported]</th>
<th>Report Graduate As:</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Graduate A</td>
<td>Passed</td>
<td>Failed</td>
<td>A person who passed in Jurisdiction X’s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Graduate B</td>
<td>Passed</td>
<td>Passed</td>
<td>A person who passed in Jurisdiction X’s</td>
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<tr>
<td>Graduate C</td>
<td>Failed</td>
<td>Failed</td>
<td>A person who failed in Jurisdiction X’s</td>
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<tr>
<td>Graduate D</td>
<td>Failed</td>
<td>Passed</td>
<td>A person who passed in Jurisdiction Y’s</td>
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**Ultimate Bar Passage**

For ultimate bar passage, the questionnaire follows graduates by calendar year of graduation and asks for information about the number who passed the bar examination within one year after graduation and within two years after graduation. Each year, schools will be asked to report on graduates from two calendar years. The questionnaire due in February 2019 will cover the following years:

- **Graduates in 2017 calendar year (graduates from Jan – Dec 2017)**
  - Report on the number who took the bar examination within two years of graduation.

- **Graduates in 2018 Calendar year (graduates from Jan – Dec 2018)**
  - Report on the number who took the bar examination within one year of graduation.

**Graduates who never sit for a bar examination**

If a graduate elects never to sit for a bar examination, he or she is not counted in computing the school’s passage rate.

**Tracking graduates**

In demonstrating compliance with ultimate bar passage, the performance of repeat takers of the bar examination is taken into account. In order to demonstrate compliance, a law school is required to track its graduates and provide reliable data indicating each graduate’s bar passage status. Schools must make their best efforts to locate and provide reliable data on the bar passage status of their graduates.
Part I. FIRST-TIME BAR PASSAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

Calendar Year 2019
A. Number of graduates in calendar year 2019
B. Number of 2019 graduates who DID NOT take the bar in any jurisdiction in 2019
C. Number of graduates from prior years who took the bar for the first time in 2019 in any jurisdiction
D. Number of Early-Takers who took the bar for the first time in 2019
E. Number of 2019 graduates for whom no information is available
F. Total number of graduates who took the bar for the FIRST TIME in any jurisdiction in 2019 (Report only first-time takers)

For each jurisdiction where graduates took the bar, provide:
Jurisdiction
Number of Takers
Number of Passers
Sample Report for new Bar Passage Questionnaire – First time bar passage

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>A</th>
<th>B</th>
<th>C</th>
<th>D</th>
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<th>H</th>
<th>I</th>
<th>J</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Calendar Year</td>
<td>Total Graduates in Calendar Year</td>
<td>Number from Calendar Year NOT taking Bar Exam</td>
<td>Number from Previous Years Taking Bar for FIRST Time in Calendar Year</td>
<td>Number of Early Takers</td>
<td>Number from Calendar Year with no information</td>
<td>Total First Time Takers in any jurisdiction</td>
<td>Total who passed the bar in any jurisdiction</td>
<td>ABA first time weighted average pass rate</td>
<td>Percent who passed the bar in any jurisdiction</td>
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<td>2019</td>
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Example of detail on each jurisdiction.

Detail 2019

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Jurisdiction</th>
<th>Takers</th>
<th>Passers</th>
<th>Pass %</th>
<th>State Pass % for ABA-approved law schools</th>
<th>difference</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Alabama</td>
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<td>Arkansas</td>
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<td>Texas</td>
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Part II. ULTIMATE BAR PASSAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

Graduates in Calendar Year 2017
A. Number of graduates in calendar year 2017
   __________
B. Number who sat for a bar examination
   within two years of their date of graduation.
   Total number of takers
   ________
   Total number of passers
   ________
C. Number of 2017 graduates for whom no information is available
   ________
D. Number of graduates who did not take a bar examination
   within two years of their date of graduation
   ________

Graduates in Calendar Year 2018
A. Number of graduates in calendar year 2018
   ________
B. Number who sat for a bar examination
   within one year of their date of graduation.
   Total number of takers
   ________
   Total number of passers
   ________
C. Number of 2018 graduates for whom no information is available
   ________
D. Number of graduates who did not take a bar examination
   within one year of their date of graduation
   ________

Note: Examples of Opportunities to take the bar examination for different cohorts in a calendar year.
Graduates in calendar year 2017
August graduates: February 2018, July 2018, February 2019, July 2019
December graduates: February 2018, July 2018, February 2019, July 2019

Sample Report on Ultimate Bar Passage

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Calendar Year of graduation</th>
<th>Number of graduates in calendar year</th>
<th>Graduates who sat for a bar examination within one year of their date of graduation.</th>
<th>Graduates who sat for a bar examination within two years of their date of graduation.</th>
<th>Number with no information</th>
<th>Number who did not take a bar examination within one year of graduation</th>
<th>Number who did not take a bar examination within two years of graduation</th>
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<tr>
<td>2018</td>
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<td>88</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>72%</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td>86%</td>
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