

**484 Candidates Pass July 2021 Washington State Bar Exam**

SEATTLE, WA [Updated Oct. 6, 2021. Originally published Sept. 11, 2021] — The Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) announced that 484 candidates passed the Uniform Bar Exam administered in July 2021. Administered over a two-day period, the Exam is a substantive law exam for those interested in becoming licensed in Washington to practice law as a lawyer, and includes multiple choice, essay and performance questions. The other required component of the Washington Bar Exam is an exam on professional responsibility (the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam or MPRE). Completion of a separate online educational component with accompanying online exam addressing specific areas of Washington law (the Washington Law Component) is also required to qualify for admission. The WSBA will recommend successful candidates who also have passed a character and fitness review and completed other pre-licensing requirements to the Washington Supreme Court for entry of an order admitting them to the practice of law in Washington as a lawyer.

See the full pass list on our website. Passage percentages shown below.

**July 2021 Washington State Bar Exam Statistics:**

**Overall Pass Rates**

| <b>Applicant Type</b> | <b>Pass</b> | <b>Fail</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>Pass Rate</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| ABA-JD                | 449         | 110         | 559          | 80.3%            |
| APR 6 Law Clerk       | 4           | 9           | 13           | 30.8%            |
| U.S. Attorneys        | 19          | 3           | 22           | 86.4%            |
| Common Law Attorney   | 2           | 4           | 6            | 33.3%            |
| Non-ABA JD/ABA LLM    | 10          | 43          | 53           | 18.9%            |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>484</b>  | <b>169</b>  | <b>653</b>   | <b>74.1%</b>     |

**First Time**

| <b>Applicant Type</b> | <b>Pass</b> | <b>Fail</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>Pass Rate</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| ABA-JD                | 446         | 87          | 533          | 83.7%            |
| APR 6 Law Clerk       | 4           | 3           | 7            | 57.1%            |
| U.S. Attorneys        | 18          | 2           | 20           | 90.0%            |
| Common Law Attorney   | 2           | 3           | 5            | 40.0%            |
| Non-ABA JD/ABA LLM    | 6           | 14          | 20           | 30.0%            |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>476</b>  | <b>109</b>  | <b>585</b>   | <b>81.4%</b>     |



**Repeaters**

| <b>Applicant Type</b> | <b>Pass</b> | <b>Fail</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>Pass Rate</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| ABA-JD                | 3           | 23          | 26           | 11.5%            |
| APR 6 Law Clerk       | 0           | 6           | 6            | 0.0%             |
| U.S. Attorneys        | 1           | 1           | 2            | 50.0%            |
| Common Law Attorney   | 0           | 1           | 1            | 0.0%             |
| Non-ABA JD/ABA LLM    | 4           | 29          | 33           | 12.1%            |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>8</b>    | <b>60</b>   | <b>68</b>    | <b>11.8%</b>     |

The average UBE score total was 285.99; the required passing score was **266**.

**About the Washington State Bar Association**

The WSBA is authorized by the Washington Supreme Court to license over 40,000 lawyers and other legal professionals in Washington. In furtherance of its obligation to protect and serve the public, the WSBA both regulates lawyers and other licensed legal professionals under the authority of the Court and serves its members as a professional association — all without public funding. The WSBA’s mission is to serve the public and the members of the Bar, to ensure the integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice.

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