



685 Candidates Pass Summer 2014 Washington State Bar Exam

Test takers earned a 77.3% overall pass rate on the Uniform Bar Exam

SEATTLE, WA [September 12, 2014] — The Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) announced that 685 candidates passed the bar exam administered in July 2014. Of the 886 candidates who took the exam, 77.3 percent passed. Administered over a two-day period, the bar exam is a substantive law exam that includes multiple choice, essay and performance questions. A separate exam on professional responsibility (the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam or MPRE), and a separate educational component and exam addressing specific areas of Washington law (the Washington Law Component), are also required to qualify for admission.

By comparison, 727 candidates passed the bar exam administered in July 2013. Of the 857 candidates who took that exam, 84.8 percent passed.

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

Summer 2014 Washington State Bar Exam Statistics:

Overall Pass Rates

Applicant Type	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass Rate
Attorney	42	6	48	87.5%
General	641	187	828	77.4%
Foreign	2	8	10	20.0%
Total	685	201	886	77.3%

First Time

Applicant Type	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass Rate
Attorney	41	5	46	89.1%
General	621	157	778	79.8%
Foreign	2	8	10	20.0%
Total	664	170	834	79.6%

Repeaters

Applicant Type	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass Rate
Attorney	1	1	2	50.0%
General	20	30	50	40.0%
Foreign	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	21	31	52	40.4%

The average UBE score total was 290.64; the required passing score was 270.

About the Washington State Bar Association

The WSBA is authorized by the Washington State Supreme Court to license the state's 35,400 lawyers. The WSBA both regulates lawyers 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, ensure the integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice.

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