

## **Class of 2025 J.D. Candidate Bar Exam Information**

*Please refer to the following when completing the Bar Exam applications and forms.*

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

OFFICIAL DEGREE CONFERRAL DATE: May 25, 2025

*Please note that although you may participate in the May 11 Law School Convocation Ceremony, your degree is not officially conferred until May 25, 2025.*

### **OFFICIAL CORNELL TRANSCRIPTS**

Request an Official Transcript from the Office of the University Registrar **AFTER June 5, 2025**, to ensure all earned credits and degree are posted.

Request online: <https://registrar.cornell.edu/grades-transcripts/ordering-transcripts> or through Student Center.

Note: New York does not require official transcripts to be submitted with JD bar application.

### **NEW YORK STATE BAR EXAMINATION**

**Application Filing Period: March 1-30.** THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR LATE FILING.

Examination Dates: **Tuesday - July 29 and Wednesday - July 30, 2025**

After passing the New York Bar, you have three years to seek admission. When applying for admission, the NY State Bar requires the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE), the New York Law Exam (NYLE), certification of the 50-hour pro bono service requirement, and the Skills Competency Requirement set forth in Section 520.18 of the Rules of the Court of Appeals. For more information see <https://www.nybarexam.org/>.

### **NEW YORK CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE**

When you register for the exam, the form is sent directly to the Law School to verify the information and certify the degree. If there are any discrepancies, our office will correct the information. You do not need to submit a “paper” Certificate of Attendance for New York.

### **OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

State bar authorities require certification of Law School attendance/graduation. Many states require the certification on a specific form; others accept the certification on Law School letterhead. It is your responsibility to obtain any necessary documents and submit them to the Law School Registrar’s Office with instructions for:

- (1) When they must be submitted, and
- (2) Where they must be sent.

### **WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR FORMS**

- (1) Postal mail to Office of the Registrar, 160 Myron Taylor Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853
- (2) PDF/SCAN to [law.registrar@cornell.edu](mailto:law.registrar@cornell.edu)

If you have any questions regarding the certifications, reach out to [law.registrar@cornell.edu](mailto:law.registrar@cornell.edu).

For any Bar advising, reach out to [law.dos@cornell.edu](mailto:law.dos@cornell.edu).

**DO NOT wait until the last minute to do this!**  
**(See next page for Important Links related to the Bar)**

## **Important Links:**

New York State Board of Bar Examiners:

<http://www.nybarexam.org/Default.html>

National Conference of Bar Examiners: **ALL jurisdictions' websites can be found on this page.**

<http://www.ncbex.org/>

MPRE (Multi-state Professional Responsibility Exam):

<http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mpre/>

American Bar Association:

<http://www.americanbar.org/aba.html>

California Bar Exam:

<http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions/Examinations/California-Bar-Examination>

Massachusetts Bar Exam:

<http://www.mass.gov/courts/court-info/sjc/attorneys-bar-applicants/bbe/>

D.C. Bar Exam:

<http://www.dccourts.gov/>

Texas Bar Exam:

<https://ble.texas.gov/home>

Pennsylvania Bar Exam:

<https://www.pabarexam.org/>