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Character & Fitness Investigations

This jurisdiction does not use NCBE's character and fitness services; please contact Arkansas for filing instructions.

MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required **Yes**

MPRE Minimum Passing Score **85**

MPRE Score Time Parameters

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, Courtesy Seating, and Attorneys' Exams

Minimum passing MPRE score **85**

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must be earned or achieved? **Yes**

Are MBE scores accepted for transfer from other jurisdictions? **No**

Is courtesy seating allowed? **Yes**

Is an Attorneys' Exam offered? **No**

To qualify for the Attorneys' Exam, must an applicant be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? **—**

Attorneys' Exam fee **—**

Bar Exam Eligibility, Deadlines, and Fees

ABA-Approved Law School J.D. Required **Yes**

Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility **No**

Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

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July 2025: First filing deadline **April 1**

July 2025: Late filing deadline **—**

February 2026: First filing deadline **Nov. 15**

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Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) **\$1,000**

Bar exam fee for attorneys **\$1,000**

Bar exam fee for repeaters **\$1,000**

Fee for laptops, if permitted **\$0**

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Bar Exam Components

Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) **Yes**

Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **No**

Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) **Yes**

Multistate Performance Test (MPT) **Yes**

Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam **No**

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UBE Adoption

UBE Adoption **Yes**

UBE First Administration Date **February 2020**

UBE Minimum Passing Score **270**

UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component **No**

Admission on Earned or Transferred Bar Exam Score

UBE Minimum Score **270**

Non-UBE Minimum Score - Admission on Transferred UBE Score **Yes**

Effective Date **October 2019**

Maximum Score Age **36 months**

UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component **No**

Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion **Yes**

Admission on Motion—Years of Practice and Definition of Practice

Do the rules provide for admission on motion? **Yes**

What is the number of years of practice required for admission on motion? **3 of past 5**

What does the definition of practice for purposes of admission on motion include?

Law teaching, gov't agency, military, in-house corporate, judicial court of record

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must have been earned or achieved? **No**

Admission on motion fee **\$1,500**

Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Admission on Motion—Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Must an applicant for admission on motion be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? **Yes**

Is admission on motion based on reciprocity (that is, is it limited to candidates from some or all jurisdictions offering admission on motion)? **Yes**

Is an attorney initially admitted by diploma privilege eligible for admission on motion? **Yes**

Number of Years of Practice Required **3 of past 5**

Disclaimer

Since jurisdiction rules and policies change, NCBE strongly advises consulting the jurisdiction's bar admission agency directly for the most current information.