Mississippi

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Mississippi has announced that it intends to administer the NextGen UBE, with first administration on a date to be determined. Visit https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen (/exams/nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

Mississippi requires the following NCBE exams: MBE, MEE, MPT, and MPRE. Visit Official NCBE Study Aids (https://www.ncbex.org/study-aids) to purchase study aids to help prepare for Mississippi exams.

Bar Admission Agency

Mississippi Board of Bar Admissions
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Phone: (601) 576-4620
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Visit Website (https://courts.ms.gov/bar/baradmissions/baradmissions.php)

Character & Fitness Investigations

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required **Yes**
MPRE Minimum Passing Score **75**
MPRE Score Time Parameters

Non–Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, and Attorneys' Exams

Minimum passing MPRE score **75**
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? **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

Non–Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Bar Examination Application Deadlines and Fees

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Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score **No**
Accepts NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
Minimum NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **No**
Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **Yes**

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Bar Exam

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Minimum Passing Score **TBA**
NextGen UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **TBA**
Legacy UBE **No**
Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam **Yes**

Non–Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Admission by Examination

Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) **Yes**
Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) **Yes**
Multistate Performance Test (MPT) **Yes**
Jurisdiction-drafted exam (essay, multiple-choice, or performance test) **Yes**
How many times may an applicant take the exam without special permission? **4**

Minimum Passing Score **132**

Non–Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Grading and Scoring

Average grading/reporting period (February/July exams) **both 7–8 weeks**
Are both the MBE and a written component administered? **Yes**
Is the written component scaled to the MBE? **Yes**
Are the MBE and written component scores combined? **Yes**
% MBE weight (of combined score) **40**
% MEE and/or local essay weight (of combined score) **45**
% MPT and/or local PT weight (of combined score) **15**
% Local component weight (of combined score) **—**
Minimum passing standard for total bar exam score based on reported score scale **132**
Minimum passing standard for total bar exam score based on 200-point scale **132**
MPRE minimum passing standard (on scale of 50 to 150) **75**

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? **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? **Yes**
Admission on motion fee **$1,500 (plus C&F fee)**

Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

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Must an applicant for admission on motion be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? **—**
Is admission on motion based on reciprocity (that is, is it limited to candidates from some or all jurisdictions offering admission on motion)? **—**
Is an attorney initially admitted by diploma privilege eligible for admission on motion? **—**

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