

**STATE OF COLORADO SUPREME COURT
BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS
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INFORMATION FOR UNSUCCESSFUL COLORADO BAR EXAMINEES

1. The enclosed "NOTICE OF COLORADO BAR EXAM RESULTS" shows your MBE scaled score, Essay/PT combined scaled score and your total Bar Exam score. In order to pass the bar exam, a total score of 276 must be achieved. The following formula was used to calculate your TOTAL BAR EXAM SCORE:

$$\begin{array}{rcccl} \text{BAR} & & \text{MBE} & & \text{ESSAY/PT} \\ \text{EXAM} & = & \text{SCALED} & + & \text{SCALED} \\ \text{SCORE} & & \text{SCORE} & & \text{SCORE} \end{array}$$

INSPECTION OF ESSAY ANSWERS

2. Copies of graded exams are available only to unsuccessful candidates. Photocopies of questions, discussions, score sheets and your answers from the past exam may be obtained by sending the attached form along with the appropriate payment. **CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** Persons *eligible for review* (see next section) should submit requests for copies of their graded answers immediately and may receive such copies beginning **MONDAY, October 19, 2009.** Requests for copies of graded answers for *persons not eligible for review* will be processed beginning **Monday, October 26, 2009.** **The deadline for requesting copies of exams is December 9, 2009.** Allow approximately two weeks following receipt of your payment to process your request. If you request that your copies be held for pick-up, call first to be certain your packet is ready. **Requests for photocopies will not be processed on a walk-in basis.**
3. Copies of your graded Essay/PT answers are available for a **limited time only.** **DO NOT MISS THE DEADLINE** for requesting these materials. In accordance with Rule 201.13, C.R.C.P., any perceived errors in your score, or with any exam procedure must be reported within 60 days of the date of this notice, after which all exam results will be final. This rule is not intended to give those who fall outside the review range (273- 275 points) an opportunity to have his/her answers re-graded or to provide additional appeal avenues for persons who were not successful on the bar examination. It is solely for the purpose of giving examinees the opportunity to have scoring errors corrected. A scoring error is an error in computing a score, not a disagreement by an applicant who believes he or she should have been assigned a higher score on an answer than the one received.

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REVIEW

1. Persons who were unsuccessful by three or fewer points (scored 273, 274 or 275 total points), as well as those who scored 276 or above on the first grading, but who did not achieve a passing score after re-grade are eligible to have **up to three essays OR one PT** answer reviewed (graded a third time). When the review (third grading) has been completed, newly assigned review scores and scores from answers not reviewed will be added and formulated to arrive at a new Essay/PT scaled score. This new Essay/PT scaled score will then be added to the MBE scaled score to arrive at a total bar exam score. Anyone scoring 276 or higher will have passed the exam. Please be aware, this review (third grading) process can either raise or lower the total bar exam score.

Persons who are eligible for review should follow the guidelines below when submitting a request for review.

- a. Submit a letter **NO LATER THAN Friday, October 30, 2009** indicating which answers you wish to have re-graded. In your letter include your name, exam number, seat number, address and phone number(s) where you can be reached. Include nothing else.
- b. Although point totals may vary from question to question, the use of an equating procedure gives equal weight to each. Because of this procedure, the gain of a single raw point may not result in a corresponding whole scale point award. Generally, each raw point will translate into a whole scale point when equated, however, the greater the number of points available to be awarded on a question, the lesser the relative value of each point when equated.
- c. All requests for review will be held by this office until the filing deadline, **October 30, 2009**. They will then be re-graded en masse. The review procedure should be completed approximately three weeks following the petition-filing deadline.
- d. Once your answers are submitted, no substitutions or later additions will be accepted. The result of this review will be final.
- e. Generally, review results are known within approximately 3 weeks of the petition deadline; however, it could take longer. If you intend to file for the next examination, but are still awaiting review results, you must file an update application and fees by the applicable filing deadline. If you file an update application and subsequently pass on review, your fees will be refunded automatically.

MBE SCORE TRANSFER

Colorado MBE scores may be transferred to another jurisdiction by submitting an MBE score transfer request to the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE). MBE score transfers may be requested on-line or by using the NCBE MBE Score Transfer Request Form. Go to www.ncbex.org for information regarding applicable fees, transfer request forms and a list of jurisdictions accepting MBE score transfers.

(See next page for Order Form)

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REQUEST FOR JULY 2009 EXAM INFORMATION

NAME _____

SEAT# _____ APPLICATION # _____

IMPORTANT! CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REVIEW.
Packets for persons ELIGIBLE FOR REVIEW will be available at no charge beginning Monday, October 19, 2009.

AVAILABLE TO UNSUCCESSFUL EXAMINEES ONLY

Allow approximately two weeks for processing from the date your request is received by this office. Available beginning Monday, October 26, 2009.

COPIES OF YOUR ESSAY ANSWERS, GRADED SCORESHEETS \$15.00
MEE questions and discussions included at no additional cost. *(Last day to order – December 9, 2009)*

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____ *(cash not accepted)*

Please **process my request** as indicated below:

TELEPHONE NUMBER *(work)* _____ *(home)* _____

HOLD FOR PICK-UP. Identification must be presented to obtain essay materials. If someone other than the examinee is designated to pick-up these materials, their identification and a written release signed by the examinee must be presented.

MAIL TO: _____
Street Address

City

State

Zip