

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

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Acting under the authority of Article V, Section 1 of Constitution of 1974, and the inherent power of this Court, and considering continuing need to modify the administration of the Louisiana Bar Examination in light of the continued spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19),

WHEREAS, the Court previously issued an Order dated October 30, 2020 amending Part I of the written examination required by Section 7 of Supreme Court Rule XVII;

WHEREAS, the Court further finds that the pandemic conditions continue to prevent a large-scale in-person examination of all applicants currently registered for the exam and does not wish to delay the examination.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The February 2021 bar examination will be in open-book format, with no live monitoring or proctoring. Applicants will receive the exam questions by email and submit responses by email, to an address established by the Louisiana Supreme Court Committee on Bar Admissions.
2. Applicants will receive the exam questions and submit responses on a schedule to be published by the Louisiana Supreme Court Committee on Bar Admissions.
3. Applicants may use outside materials to complete the exam but are prohibited from seeking or accepting assistance from any other individual during the exam.
4. Applicants who violate Paragraph 3 of this Order shall fail the exam and will be prohibited from sitting for any future

Louisiana bar examination for a period of five years, and will be subject to other potential sanctions including, but not limited to, being found in contempt of this Court or facing discipline under Louisiana's Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement.

5. Applicants must still complete all other requirements for admission as set forth in Louisiana Supreme Court Rule XVII, including satisfying character and fitness requirements and passing the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination.

Given under our hands and seal this 25th day of
November A. D., 2020, New Orleans, Louisiana.

FOR THE COURT:


Chief Justice Bernette J. Johnson