

N.M. Ct. R. 15-203

New Mexico Rules
State Court Rules
Rules Governing Admission to the Bar
Article 2. Examinations

Rule 15-203. Subjects for Examinations

A. Selection of Subjects. In the selection of subjects for bar examination questions, the emphasis shall be upon the basic and fundamental subjects which are ordinarily taught in law schools accredited by the American Bar Association.

B. Areas of Concentration. The areas of concentration which may be covered include:

- (1) litigation and adversary law which may include subjects such as torts, evidence, federal jurisdiction, civil procedure, equity and conflict of laws;
- (2) business and commercial law which may include subjects such as agency, business entities (partnerships, corporations, etc.), the Uniform Commercial Code and contracts;
- (3) legal ethics and public law including subjects such as constitutional law, criminal law and administrative law;
- (4) personal and private law such as New Mexico community property law, domestic relations, wills, estates and trusts, real and personal property law and federal personal income tax; and
- (5) Indian law, including subjects such as federal Indian law, criminal and civil jurisdiction in Indian country and the Indian child welfare act under state and federal law.

C. Performance Test Questions. Performance test questions may be given which are designed to test applicants on the following skills: problem solving, legal analysis and reasoning, factual analysis, communication, organization and management of a legal task and recognition and resolution of ethical dilemmas. Performance test questions may contain subject areas other than those specified in Paragraph B of this rule, however, the applicants shall be provided with the substantive information necessary to answer the question.