

139 Candidates Pass February 2026 Washington State Bar Exam

SEATTLE, WA [April 10, 2026] — The Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) announced that 139 candidates passed the Uniform Bar Exam administered in February 2026. Administered over a two-day period, the Exam is a substantive law exam for those interested in becoming licensed in Washington to practice law as a lawyer, and includes multiple choice, essay and performance questions. The other required component of the Washington Bar Exam is an exam on professional responsibility (the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam or MPRE). Completion of a separate online educational component with accompanying online exam addressing specific areas of Washington law (the Washington Law Component) is also required to qualify for admission. The WSBA will recommend successful candidates who also have passed a character and fitness review and completed other pre-licensing requirements to the Washington Supreme Court for entry of an order admitting them to the practice of law in Washington as a lawyer.

See the full pass list on our website. Passage percentages are given below.

February 2026 Washington State Bar Exam Statistics:

Overall Pass Rates

Application Type	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass Rate
ABA-JD	95	51	146	65.52 %
APR 6 Law Clerk	3	12	15	20.00 %
U.S. Attorneys	9	2	11	81.82 %
Non-ABA JD*/ ABA LLM	27	73	100	27.00 %
U.S. Non-ABA JD / ABA LLM	1	0	1	100.00 %
Common Law Attorneys	4	3	7	57.14 %
Total	139	141	280	49.82 %

First Time

Application Type	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass Rate
ABA-JD	51	19	70	72.86 %
APR 6 Law Clerk	2	3	5	40.00 %
U.S. Attorneys	7	1	8	87.50 %
Non-ABA JD*/ ABA LLM	15	33	48	31.25 %
U.S. Non-ABA JD / ABA LLM	1	0	1	100.00 %
Common Law Attorneys	2	1	3	66.67 %
Total	78	57	135	57.78 %

Repeaters

Application Type	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass Rate
ABA-JD	44	32	76	58.67 %
APR 6 Law Clerk	1	9	10	10.00 %
U.S. Attorneys	2	1	3	66.67 %
Non-ABA JD*/ ABA LLM	12	40	52	23.08 %
U.S. Non-ABA JD / ABA LLM	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Common Law Attorneys	2	2	4	50.00 %
Total	61	84	145	42.36 %

The average UBE score total was 256.93; the required passing score was 260.

* "Non-ABA JD" here refers to JD or other law degree outside the U.S.

About the Washington State Bar Association

The WSBA is authorized by the Washington Supreme Court to license over 40,000 lawyers and other legal professionals in Washington. In furtherance of its obligation to protect and serve the public, the WSBA regulates lawyers and other licensed legal professionals under the authority of the Court and serves its members as a professional association - all without public funding. The WSBA's mission is to serve the public and the members of the Bar, to ensure the integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice.

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