

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

U.S. State Approved/Accredited Law Schools (Not ABA-Accredited)

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This is not a comprehensive list. For questions about a specific school or to have a school considered for the list, please email admissions@wsba.org.

Law School	State(s) Where Approved
Birmingham School of Law	Alabama
Miles Law School	Alabama
Cal Northern School of Law	California
The Colleges of Law	California
Golden Gate University School of Law	California
Humphreys University Laurence Drivon School of Law	California
JFK School of Law at National University	California
Lincoln Law School of Sacramento	California
Lincoln Law School of San Jose	California
Monterey College of Law	California
Kern County College of Law	California
Empire College of Law	California
San Luis Obispo College of Law	California
Northwestern California University School of Law	California
Purdue Global Law School	California
San Joaquin College of Law	California
St. Francis School of Law	California
Thomas Jefferson School of Law	California
Trinity Law School	California
University of La Verne College of Law and Public Service	California
University of West Los Angeles School of Law	California
Massachusetts School of Law	Massachusetts, Connecticut
Nashville School of Law	Tennessee

Definition from WSBA Admissions Policies

“Law school approved by the Board of Governors” is a law school either (1) approved or accredited, or provisionally approved or accredited, by the American Bar Association (ABA) at the time the degree was conferred or (2) approved or accredited by a state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and a state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia accepts the Juris Doctor (J.D) from that law school as meeting the education requirement to be eligible to sit for the bar exam in that jurisdiction at the time the J.D. or LL.M. degree for the practice of law was conferred. An applicant who graduated from a law school not approved or accredited by the ABA bears the burden of demonstrating to the Bar that the law school is approved or accredited by a state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia and a state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia accepts the J.D. as meeting the education requirement to be eligible to sit for the bar exam in that jurisdiction or otherwise meets this definition. *



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*In order to be eligible to apply in Washington, the applicant must be eligible to sit for the bar exam based on the J.D. in the state where the law school is approved. The WSBA will verify eligibility with the admissions authority for that state.



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