

Bar Exam & Bar Admission Planning Handout

1. I will take the bar exam in _____.
____ I registered for the bar exam as a 1L.
____ I need to update my 1L registration or change my address by _____.
____ I haven't yet registered for the bar exam and need to register by _____.
____ The fees due are _____.
____ I will keep a copy of everything I send concerning the bar.
2. To prepare for the bar, I plan to take:
____ BarBri (____ in MA or ____ elsewhere)
____ another review course (name _____)
____ I have registered for BarBri. The next payment of \$_____ is due _____.
____ I will consider the PMBR 3 or 6 day program in addition to my bar review course.
____ The deadline to register for PMBR is _____ and the fee is \$_____.
____ I will take (or have taken) NUSL's bar review course in my last in-school quarter.
____ I know I can study at NU (law library or Snell library) in the summer if I choose to.
3. My state _____ does **or** _____ does not require the MPRE.
____ If required, I will take it (or have taken it) on _____.
____ The deadline to register is _____ and the fee is \$_____.
____ If the state in which I will take the bar (e.g. Massachusetts) requires passing the MPRE before sitting for the bar exam, I have checked (or will check) on whether I have passed the MPRE with the required score.
4. While studying for the bar, I will live in _____.
____ I have housing arranged **or** ____ I need to arrange housing.
____ I have these additional responsibilities I will need to take care of before May:

____ I know it's not a good idea to schedule a wedding, vacation, or other such activities during the period from May 30 until the bar exam is over.
5. To pay for the bar-related expenses, ____ I have the money **or** ____ I will need to take out a loan **or** ____ I need to plan.
____ I know to look at: www.accessgroup.org, www.estudentloan.com and www.salliemae.org
____ I know I should not work while studying for the bar exam
____ I have made a budget which includes money for: housing and housing-related expenses for May - August, travel for interviews, bar courses, bar registration fees, hotel if I decide to stay in a hotel during the days of the bar exam (and, if so, I have made a reservation)
6. I need to consider taking bar-related courses. I have already taken: Civil Procedure, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, Contracts, and Professional Responsibility.
____ I have reviewed the subjects covered on my state's bar exam and know which additional courses I need to consider taking.