Bar Examination Subjects - Texas

The following subjects are covered in the 2½-day Texas bar examination.

**Multistate Subjects**
- Constitutional Law
- Real Property
- Evidence
- Contracts
- Criminal Law
- Torts

*Note:* Civil Procedure will be covered on the Multistate beginning in February 2015

**Multistate Performance Test**

The Texas Bar Examination includes the Multistate Performance Test (MPT), a skills test designed to assess the examinee's ability to use fundamental lawyering skills in a realistic situation. During the test, each examinee receives a "file" of source documents and a "library" of primary authority and uses them to perform an assigned lawyering task such as writing an office memorandum, a letter to a client, a contract provision, or a proposal for settlement.

**Texas Essay Subjects**
- Business associations including agency, corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, and professional associations
- Trusts and guardianships
- Wills and administration
- Family law
- Uniform Commercial Code
- Consumer rights, including DTPA and insurance
- Real property, including oil and gas

**Cross-Over Topics**
- Income, estate, and gift tax issues, to be included where appropriate, as an element of questions in other subjects, such as family law, oil and gas, wills, etc.
• Bankruptcy, to be included where appropriate, as an element of questions in other subjects, such as family law, wills and estates, real property, etc.

Procedure and Evidence Subjects

• Texas civil procedure and evidence, including jurisdiction
• Federal and Texas criminal procedure and evidence

Applicants to the Texas bar must also take the Multistate Professional Responsibility (MPRE) Examination and receive a score of 85. Applications and information are available at the front counter in the Administration Suite in the law school.