

# From the New York Board of Law Examiners

- ▶ [nybarexam.org](https://nybarexam.org)
- ▶ Latest update, dated yesterday, March 27, 2020:
  - ▶ “The New York Court of Appeals today announced that the New York State Bar Examination will not be administered on July 28-29, 2020 as previously scheduled.”
  - ▶ “The State Board of Law Examiners will announce the new date for the exam and the dates for the application filing period as soon as it [sic] becomes available.”
  - ▶ NYBOLE offices remain closed
  - ▶ February 2020 bar grading proceeding; however, results may be delayed beyond usual period (i.e., past May 1)
  - ▶ March 2020 NYLE results have been posted

# From the National Conference of Bar Examiners

- ▶ <http://www.ncbex.org/ncbe-covid-19-updates/>
- ▶ Latest update, dated March 27, 2020:
  - ▶ Will make decision about whether to deploy UBE materials in July 2020 by May 5
  - ▶ Based on whether there would be a sufficient number of jurisdictions and examinees to support equating of scores and all the scoring support and grader
  - ▶ NCBE will offer *another* set of UBE materials for a fall 2020 examination date
    - ▶ Date to be determined in consultation with state boards of bar examiners
    - ▶ Will be *in addition* to July 2020 UBE if sufficient jurisdictions host July 2020 bar

# From Bar Preparation Course Providers

## ▶ Themis

- ▶ Point of contact: Carl G. Gillen, Esq. [carl.gillen@themisbar.com](mailto:carl.gillen@themisbar.com)
- ▶ In the unlikely event that the bar exam is cancelled, Themis would transfer every student into the next available course at no charge.
- ▶ This would not count as a free repeat. Students would maintain their free repeat.
- ▶ If the bar exam was postponed until August or September (ie a brief postponement), then we would extend access accordingly.
- ▶ If the bar exam was postponed until the following February, access would not be continued indefinitely. The course would be closed for a brief period of time (usually 2-3 weeks) for substantive updates and to reflect any changes to a jurisdiction's bar exam, as signaled by that jurisdiction.

# From Bar Preparation Course Providers

## ▶ Pieper

- ▶ [www.pieperbar.com](http://www.pieperbar.com)

- ▶ As soon as we know what the NCBE decides we will let our students know but everyone that is registered to take the exam for July 2020 we will adjust their enrollment accordingly.

- ▶ If they push the exam until the Fall then we will have our students continue their studies through until the fall exam is given. The students will just have longer to study for the exam.

# From Bar Preparation Course Providers

## ▶ BARBRI

- ▶ <https://www.barbri.com/covid-19/>
- ▶ If the July bar exam is postponed, you will have access to your bar review course to continue studying until your bar exam is administered, at no additional cost.
- ▶ In the unlikely event that licensure via diploma privilege is granted and you are not required to take a bar exam for full licensure, BARBRI will provide an equitable refund.
- ▶ BARBRI Bar Review Personal Study Plans will be opening April 20<sup>th</sup> to begin summer bar prep studies.
- ▶ Additionally, BARBRI has made 2L/3L Mastery available [free to all students](#) to study for finals.
- ▶ 2L/3L Mastery allows students to study online, on demand for:
  - ▶ Constitutional Law, Corporations, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, Family Law, Secured Transactions, Taxation, Wills and Trusts.
- ▶ No bar review account or commitment is required to access.

# From Bar Preparation Course Providers

## ▶ Kaplan

▶ [www.kaptest.com](http://www.kaptest.com)

- ▶ We are ready regardless of what the exam situation ends up being. We had already created a schedule last week in anticipation that there would be a one or two month plan. We will dust that off now in anticipation that there will be two different administrations.
- ▶ In any event, we will start full access later in April and we will have specific schedules and study plans for either the July or the fall exam.