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### **1. What should I do if I need a special arrangement for a health-related condition?**

Examinees with a health-related condition that can be addressed in a standard exam room and without deviation from the standard testing schedule may request special arrangements. The completed [Request for Special Arrangements due to Health-Related Conditions](#) must be received by the Board of Bar Examiners at least three (3) weeks prior to the exam, except in extraordinary circumstances

### **2. Will I have access to items stored at the Exam Site Check-In Area?**

Examinees will not have access to items checked in at the exam site storage area at any time during the testing day. All stored items must have identification attached. All items left in the designated storage area are left at your own risk.

### **3. Will my bar admission fees be refunded if I am unable to sit for the bar exam?**

Bar admission fees are non-refundable and non-transferrable. If you are absent from the bar exam, you will be required to submit a re-application and pay all applicable fees in order to sit for a subsequent bar exam. Questions regarding fees must be directed to the Clerk's Office.

### **4. What recommendations do you have on how to dress for the exam?**

Outerwear, hats, caps and/or hoods on the head are only permitted for religious or medical need. Examinees are encouraged to wear casual and comfortable clothing and to dress in layers due to temperature variations that may occur in the examination room. An extra garment that is removed during the examination must be stored under your chair.

### **5. Can I have food during the exam?**

Eating any type of food, including candy, is not allowed in the exam room. Gum chewing is not

allowed. Please be reminded that one (1) clear, plastic, label-free water bottle, of one (1) liter or less and filled with clear water only, and with a spill-proof cap is allowed in the exam room.

**6. Can I use earplugs at the exam?**

All examinees will be provided with earplugs by bar exam staff. Examinees are not permitted to bring earplugs to the exam.

**7. How can I keep track of time during the exam?**

While examinees may not bring personal watches, clocks, or timers to the exam, the exam is electronically timed and clocks are visible to all examinees throughout each exam session.

**8. What if I finish the exam early?**

Examinees completing the bar exam early may turn in their test materials to their proctor and leave at any time prior to the announcement of the fifteen (15) minute warning. Examinees **may not leave** the exam room during the last fifteen (15) minutes of an examination session.

**9. What if I arrive late to the bar exam?**

Examinees arriving at the exam site after the testing period has begun may be permitted to sit for the bar exam with the approval of an authorized representative of the Board of Bar Examiners. Additional testing time will not be provided under any circumstances.

**10. May I use the restroom during an exam session?**

Examinees have access to restrooms during the exam. Examinees may not speak with each other or gather in the restrooms, or in any areas adjacent to the examination rooms while the examination is in progress. Restroom activity is monitored by proctors during exam sessions. Examinees are required to sign in and out of the restroom for each visit.

**11. Can I re-enter the exam room if I step out during the exam session?**

If an examinee leaves the exam room for any other reason than using the restroom, (s)he will not be permitted to re-enter.

**12. Will I get a lunch break during the bar exam?**

Lunch breaks, approximately one (1) hour, are provided for examinees on each exam day. Examinees must leave the exam room during lunch breaks. Examinees must return from lunch breaks promptly at the designated time. Examinees arriving late for the afternoon exam session may not be permitted to return. For those bringing lunch, it must be stored in the one (1) clear, gallon-size plastic storage bag allowed and placed under your chair.

**13. What is the bar exam wristband?**

Bar Exam Wristbands are distributed by bar exam staff to each examinee, with a separate wristband provided for each three-hour exam session. The wristbands are used for identification purposes. Examinees are required to wear the appropriate wristbands throughout each exam session.

**14. What happens if there is an emergency situation during the administration of the bar exam?**

In the event of an illness or medical emergency that occurs during the bar exam, examinees should notify a proctor immediately to summons assistance from appropriate medical personnel and bar exam staff.

If a personal emergency arises or a personal medical condition warrants emergency treatment, examinees must follow the direction of the bar exam staff regarding the continuance of the exam, both for the examinee's personal well-being and its impact on other examinees.

Should an emergency occur during the administration of the bar requiring the evacuation of the exam room or site, examinees must follow the direction of the Board of Bar Examiners and Public Safety Officials.