SPECIAL EMPLOYMENT NOTICE- STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS

The New York State Court of Appeals is currently entertaining applications for an appointment to the State Board of Law Examiners. The five practicing attorneys who serve as members of the Board oversee the administration and grading of the New York bar examination, which is the Uniform Bar Examination (UBE), and the development of the local component consisting of the New York Law Course (NYLC) and the New York Law Examination (NYLE). The Court is interested in attracting the broadest pool of candidates possible.

Pursuant to Judiciary Law § 56, the Court appoints the members of the Board to three-year terms and the members are paid \$74,602 per year, plus benefits and expenses. The position is considered part-time but members are expected to make a significant time commitment to the position. Among their responsibilities, Board Members research, draft and edit questions for the NYLE, update and maintain the course materials for the NYLC, manage a grading team for the UBE and engage in the training of contract graders. Board Members also decide matters related to disability accommodations, conduct administrative disciplinary hearings, keep abreast of developments in legal education and bar admissions, respond to inquiries from and perform outreach to the legal education community and the legal community in general, including bar associations and law schools, and perform other related duties. The position requires participation in the Board's regular monthly meetings, which may be conducted virtually or in person, and attendance and participation in question drafting and editing conferences that may be conducted virtually or in person in Albany, New York City or other locations. Board Members also attend the bar examination administered twice per year. Individuals currently engaged in legal education for prospective bar candidates are not eligible for the position.

The UBE is developed by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE). NCBE has announced that the UBE will be replaced by the NextGen Bar Exam commencing in 2026. The Court of Appeals is considering whether to adopt the NextGen Bar Exam. Information about the NextGen Bar Exam is available at https://nextgenbarexam.ncbex.org/. Additional information about the current bar examination, the NYLC and the NYLE and the work of the Board is available on the Board's website at https://www.nybarexam.org.

Candidates must be admitted to the New York State bar for at least five years, be in good standing, and duly registered to practice law. Individuals interested in applying for the position should send a resume, together with a letter explaining the candidate's interest in serving on the Board, their current connection to New York, and any relevant experience by February 15, 2024 to application@nybarexam.org or mail to:

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