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The New York State Board of Law Examiners announced today that grading has been completed for the February 2011 bar examination.

The Board examined 3,881 candidates during the two days of testing conducted on February 22 and 23, 2011. Graduates of American Bar Association approved law schools taking the examination for the first time passed at the rate of 76%. The passing rate for all candidates, including U.S. domestic-educated and foreign-educated candidates, both first-time and repeat takers, was 48%.

Candidates are being given electronic notification of their examination results on Tuesday, April 26, 2011. A complete list of candidates passing the February 2011 bar examination will be made available to the public on the Board's website, at www.nybarexam.org, on Wednesday, April 27, 2011. Successful candidates are certified for admission to the Appellate Division and must be interviewed by the Committee on Character and Fitness of the appropriate Appellate Division before being admitted to the bar. Candidates are not certified for admission until the Board receives proof that they have successfully completed the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination as required by the Rules of the New York State Court of Appeals for the Admission of Attorneys and Counselors at Law.

The Board congratulates the candidates who were successful on the February 2011 bar examination.