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## PRESS RELEASE

The New York State Board of Law Examiners announced today that grading has been completed for the July 2022 New York State Bar Examination. Candidates received electronic notification of their examination results today.

The Board examined 9,609 candidates, including U.S. domestic-educated candidates and foreign-educated candidates, first-time and repeat takers during the July 2022 bar examination. Of those candidates, 6,350 passed for an overall passing rate of 66%, which is 3% higher than the overall passing rate on the July 2021 examination.

The passing rate for the 5,557 graduates of American Bar Association accredited law schools who took the bar examination for the first time in July 2022 is 85%, a decrease of 2% from the July 2021 examination. The passing rate for the 3,109 graduates of the New York law schools who took the examination for the first time is 82%, which is a decrease of 4% from the July 2021 examination. The passing rate for the 2,448 graduates of out-of-state ABA-accredited law schools who took the examination for the first time is 87%, a decrease of 3% from last year.

The passing rate for the 1,610 repeat takers of the bar examination in July 2022 is 23%, an increase of 5% from last year. Repeat takers accounted for 17% of all candidates who sat for the July 2022 examination. Foreign-educated candidates, totaling 3,311 or 35% of all candidates, had a passing rate of 44%, an increase of 13% from last year.

Passing rates for various groups of candidates are presented on the chart below.

<b>New York State Bar Examination Passing Rates</b>	<b>July 2022</b>
All ABA Graduates – First-Time Takers	85%
New York ABA Schools - First-Time Takers	82%
Out-of-State ABA Schools – First-Time Takers	87%
Foreign-Educated – First-Time Takers	52%
All First-Time Takers	75%
All Repeaters	23%
All ABA Graduates (first-time takers & repeaters)	78%
All Foreign-Educated (first-time takers & repeaters)	44%
All Candidates (first-time takers & repeaters)	66%

A list of candidates who passed the July 2022 bar examination will be available to the public on the Board's website at [www.nybarexam.org](http://www.nybarexam.org) on Friday, October 21, 2022. Each successful candidate, who also has completed the New York Law Course and taken and passed both the New York Law Exam and the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination as required by the Rules of the New York State Court of Appeals, will be certified by the Board to the Appellate Division for admission to the bar. Each candidate must then appear before the Committee on Character and Fitness to be examined as to their character and fitness before being admitted to the bar.

The Board congratulates the candidates who were successful on the July 2022 bar examination.