

COMMITTEE OF BAR EXAMINERS OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: March 2016 – O-201

2015 – 2016 Goals Examinations Subcommittee *Updated 03/2016*

1. In conjunction with Subcommittee on Operations and Management, review reports on administration of the California First-Year Law Students' Examination.

December 2015 /August 2016

2. Edit and approve final versions of the essay questions and select performance test questions for administration on California Bar Examinations.

December 2015 /April 2016

3. Provide training from psychometrician on examination scaling, validity, reliability and fairness.

January 2016

4. Consider making a decision regarding the weighting of the various components of the Two-Day California Bar Examination.

January 2016

5. Consider draft reports to the Supreme Court of California on February and July California Bar Examinations, which include analyses by psychometrician.

January 2016 /June 2016

6. In conjunction with the Subcommittee on Operations and Management, review reports on administration of the California Bar Examination.

March 2016 /August 2016

7. Proposed Study to Explore Expanding Bar Examination Grader Groups.

March 2016

8. Consider making decision regarding changing the procedures for grading of the First-Year Law Students' Examination.

March 2016

9. Review and consider proposed Admissions Rules guidelines for examinations, testing accommodations, and any other rules that fall within the purview of the Subcommittee on Examinations.

June 2016

10. Continue to study examination grading process to determine whether bar examination results can be released earlier.

Ongoing

11. Review bar examination process, including scope, format, grading and UBE, to determine whether changes to current process should be explored.

Ongoing

12. Consider conducting future psychometric studies to ensure the reliability, validity and fairness of examinations administered by the Committee of Bar Examiners.

Ongoing

13. Receive reports on progress of Uniform Bar Examination.

Ongoing

14. Receive updates on progress of preparations for administration of the Two-Day California Bar Examination.

Monthly

15. Consider petitions seeking waivers of the Committee's examinations related policies, procedures and rules.

Monthly

16. Review appeals from applicants with disabilities who are appealing Senior Director, Admissions, decisions relative to their requests for testing accommodations.

Monthly