

MEMORANDUM

To: Bar Exam Preparation Services
From: Judy Gundersen, President and CEO
Date: June 8, 2023
Subject: Alignment of MEE and NextGen topics, July 2026 changes

I write to provide an important update about the subject matter tested on the Multistate Essay Examination (MEE). NCBE received significant input from both jurisdictions and law schools regarding the complexity of preparing students for the transition period between the current bar exam and the NextGen exam.

As a result of that feedback, NCBE is now announcing that, starting with the July 2026 bar exam, the MEE will no longer test conflict of laws, family law, trusts and estates, or secured transactions.

This change will enable students to make course selections that will support their preparation for the bar exam even if they don't yet know which exam they will be taking.

Other than removing content on the topics listed above, the MEE subject matter outlines will be unchanged.

- To review the MEE subject matter outlines, visit <https://www.ncbex.org/exams/mee/preparing/>.
- To review the NextGen subject matter outlines, visit <https://nextgenbarexam.ncbex.org/reports/content-scope/>.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions.

- For questions about how this policy will affect the MEE, email MEE@ncbex.org.
- For questions about the NextGen bar exam, email NextGenBarExam@ncbex.org.