

A Uniform Bar Exam for North Carolina

Q3 If you oppose a UBE for NC, please tell us briefly why.

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| 1 | n/a | 1/2/2017 10:59 PM |
| 2 | Could potentially weaken the amount of NC specific law on the exam. | 12/28/2016 3:25 PM |
| 3 | I am unsure how eliminating knowing NC specific law can be beneficial for future lawyers of NC. | 12/22/2016 8:53 PM |
| 4 | Last I checked, NC is still a state with its own laws. To determine fitness for practice to protect the public, an examination to measure competency of those rules is needed. If the NC State Bar does not understand this, and wants to move to a "uniform" test, lets be done with it and have a national bar with a national test. No one cares about the Constitution or local control or the basis on which our country was founded. I am 51 and have come to believe my generation will be the last to have any notion of what states are supposed to regulate and what is appropriate for the federal government (e.g., real estate transactions, marital status). In summary, if there is no reason for an NC exam, there is no reason for a state bar and, likely, no reasons to have a state. Let's be done with it and stop pretending. The states should just be administrators of national rules. You can call it a 'uniform' test and claim there is still a separate sovereign, but I am choosing to recognize this for what it is. Sad. | 12/21/2016 6:51 PM |
| 5 | Inability to test the nuances of state law. | 12/21/2016 6:14 PM |
| 6 | Important that applicants study and understand the unique aspects of NC law. I already feel like law school fails to prepare people to practice law, and I am concerned that this will further diminish the preparedness of most applicants to actually practice | 12/21/2016 3:09 PM |
| 7 | NC Lawyers should be better than the least (minimal) qualified person who passed an exam that licenses some of the poor lawyers we see (outside NC). | 12/21/2016 2:25 PM |
| 8 | I know well why the Board of Law Examiners began using the MSBE and agree that its adoption served a useful function. | 12/21/2016 1:25 PM |
| 9 | Lowers barriers to entry. There's no need to make it easier to gain admittance to the bar in NC, there are already too many attorneys and law students. | 12/21/2016 12:42 PM |
| 10 | I honestly do not understand the reason we should switch. The multiple state exam is uniform as are many of the laws, but NC's laws are not uniform with the entire country. A second exam covering NC specific law at least insures that the bar applicant has some knowledge. Just maybe it doesn't need to be two days or all essay. | 12/21/2016 12:10 PM |
| 11 | that was the purpose of the multi state. need to have written test for NC | 12/21/2016 11:56 AM |
| 12 | To practice law in North Carolina, you should be tested on North Carolina law. | 12/21/2016 10:59 AM |
| 13 | N/A | 12/21/2016 10:50 AM |
| 14 | it is not jurisdiction specific. | 12/21/2016 10:30 AM |
| 15 | Because only NC licensed lawyers have a vested interest in protecting the public, it should be NC lawyers that determine the prospective attorneys that meet the necessary minimum standards. Not some for-profit corporation, or association of academics. Lawyers. NC lawyers. The system works, why change it? | 12/21/2016 9:58 AM |
| 16 | It may be a good idea. Your question pushes to a result. My opposition would be if NC implements by eliminating all NC authored essays. A few of these should remain. Our bar exams have been good at measuring knowledge of NC specific differences and that should remain at some level even if the number of those questions are cut back and even if it adds say a half day to the exam | 12/21/2016 9:46 AM |
| 17 | The bar exam should be to determine baseline competence to practice in NC, not is uniform law land, wherever that maybe. | 12/21/2016 9:37 AM |
| 18 | State specific law should be studied and tested by those committed to practice in-state. | 12/21/2016 9:27 AM |
| 19 | No. It needs to be tailored to NC law or why bother requiring the exam at all. | 12/21/2016 8:52 AM |
| 20 | I do not oppose it. | 12/21/2016 8:46 AM |

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| 21 | It completely ignores the fact that so many of NC's laws (although perhaps antiquated) are unique to NC. The UBE would completely ignore the nuances of NC law in favor of the law common among jurisdictions that the vast majority of NC lawyers won't be practicing in. | 12/21/2016 8:25 AM |
| 22 | Certain principles of law are naturally similar, but federalism allows each state to adopt variations on those principles. NC's bar exam should ensure that lawyers admitted to practice in this state are in fact qualified to practice law under North Carolina-specific principles. | 12/20/2016 10:07 PM |
| 23 | As with most standardized tests, the law schools will start "teaching the test" instead of critical thinking and ethics. The ability of recent law school class graduates has already declined- it cannot be allowed to drop further. The addition of the clinical portion in the curriculum was good in theory, but the emphasis on that rather than the actual content of the cases and statutes have come at a cost. Students think they can make things up as they go along, and "just shoot from the hip". Students need to focus on NC law and serving their clients. Adding onto teaching the UBE takes time away from the core concepts. | 12/20/2016 9:19 PM |
| 24 | NC should set its own standards, not what other states may want. | 12/20/2016 7:52 PM |
| 25 | Centralization enables fewer people to control larger numbers. NC needs to retain the flexibility of determining what's needed to qualify for NC bar membership, and that could certainly include NC-specific questions. | 12/20/2016 6:30 PM |
| 26 | NC lawyers should be examined on NC law | 12/20/2016 6:22 PM |
| 27 | Don't know enough about it. BTW, not enough choices for question 1. Should have had a choice for "don't know" | 12/20/2016 5:40 PM |
| 28 | Adopting the UBE will open to door to a flood of attorneys being licensed to practice in our state. North Carolina does not have the legal market to support the influx of attorneys that this decision will bring. Just ask any recent law school graduate about the prospects for job placement in North Carolina. It is fairly dismal. | 12/20/2016 5:38 PM |
| 29 | Will make students who know state law confused since they will have to instead cite majority/minority rules; high cut score will limit diversity of the profession | 12/20/2016 5:37 PM |
| 30 | No one has bothered to tell us what the UBE is or how it differs from the present system. If it does away with essay questions, or reduces the number of questions, I oppose it. | 12/20/2016 5:30 PM |
| 31 | I took the UBE in Georgia, and I really do not think that it is a comprehensive test of knowledge of the law of the testing state. | 12/20/2016 5:29 PM |
| 32 | Persons who come to practice law in North Carolina should have some working familiarity with North Carolina law. Without this, the public may suffer due to ill-prepared attorneys holding themselves out as competent in NC law. This could erode and probably will erode the public's already low opinion of our profession. | 12/20/2016 5:29 PM |
| 33 | I am concerned that adopting a UBE will reduce and/or eliminate law students from studying areas of law specific to NC - we already have the multi-state which is uniform across all jurisdictions. | 12/20/2016 5:27 PM |
| 34 | NC law varies from other states in many particulars. Candidates are tested for competency to practice in NC. Without demonstrating knowledge of NC law, that is not being established before unleashing them on the public. | 12/20/2016 5:22 PM |
| 35 | NC should maintain higher standards for its new attorneys. | 12/20/2016 5:21 PM |
| 36 | The job market in North Carolina is already flooded as a result of the many law schools. Law school grads from out of state will then be added to the mix, but THOSE grads won't have the specific knowledge and competencies associated with North Carolina law. See also: http://www.jdjournal.com/2015/06/17/opinion-why-more-states-should-not-jump-on-the-uniform-bar-exam-bandwagon/ | 12/20/2016 5:15 PM |
| 37 | North Carolina lawyers need to be able to hit the ground running with enough state-specific knowledge to serve their clients properly. Having a general knowledge of "generic law," such as would presumably be tested on a UBE, isn't always enough. | 12/20/2016 5:08 PM |
| 38 | The North Carolina Bar Exam should ensure that individuals are competent to advise clients regarding NORTH CAROLINA law. North Carolina law is not uniform with the law of any other state. Examples that come to mind are alienation of affection, criminal conversation, and the existence of tenancy by the entirety protections for real estate owned by married persons. South Carolina, for example, has none of the above. How can we ensure that the citizens of our state are adequately represented by counsel without first ensuring that licensed North Carolina attorneys are adequately knowledgeable of North Carolina law? | 12/20/2016 5:07 PM |
| 39 | NC should have its own bar exam that demands that NC lawyers prepare for NC-specific issues. | 12/20/2016 5:06 PM |
| 40 | North Carolina has so many unique laws, we need to be able to properly test candidates that they understand the fine distinction between North Carolina law and common law. | 12/20/2016 4:59 PM |
| 41 | I believe that each state should determine their own standards for becoming an attorney, not only in scores, but in substance as well. | 12/20/2016 4:59 PM |

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| 42 | It will lead to a loss of state control and ultimately to a nationwide law license, and to a lowering of the standards required of attorneys in NC. | 12/20/2016 4:56 PM |
| 43 | NC laws are different than other states! | 12/20/2016 4:52 PM |
| 44 | I can't think of one darn reason why not...the reasons not to are very weak in the face of the reasons to have the UBE in NC. | 12/20/2016 4:52 PM |
| 45 | Bar exam should be state specific. | 12/20/2016 4:51 PM |
| 46 | Until all state law is uniform across all states, a uniform bar exam is absolutely inappropriate. | 12/20/2016 4:49 PM |
| 47 | The lessening of standards for NC attorneys. | 12/20/2016 4:47 PM |
| 48 | It takes the emphasis away from learning state-specific law. | 12/20/2016 4:46 PM |
| 49 | The requirement for individual state bar exams is rooted in the unique application of the law within each state. Passing a state specific bar exam insures that all licensees have the base understanding of NC application. | 12/20/2016 4:45 PM |
| 50 | A person who is licensed to practice law in NC should be required to know NC law, not general law. | 12/20/2016 4:44 PM |
| 51 | On the other hand, if the UBE is the Multi-state version 2.0, don't bother | 12/20/2016 4:44 PM |
| 52 | favor it | 12/20/2016 4:44 PM |
| 53 | The bar exam is already two days, with one day full of multistate multiple choice questions and another day full of state specific essay questions. This could potentially extend the bar exam to three days and it includes more multistate material that examiners are tested on. I do not think NC needs to make a change right now. | 12/20/2016 4:40 PM |
| 54 | I am in favor of state specific testing and the maintenance of high Bar Exam standards, which standards will likely be diluted by the UBE | 12/20/2016 4:35 PM |
| 55 | It is important for those who pass the NC Bar to demonstrate a mastery of NC law. | 12/20/2016 4:34 PM |
| 56 | Students need to know NC specific issues | 12/20/2016 4:34 PM |
| 57 | To many attorneys in NC already. This just opens the flood gates. Competition is bad enough... this is just awful. | 12/20/2016 4:34 PM |
| 58 | Our state is already flooded with unqualified, incompetent law school mill graduates. The bar exam is too easy as it is and does not seem to be any guarantee that any of these people have the first clue about what they're doing. Opening our state up to graduates from all of the other law school mills across the country will ensure that we get even more idiots wandering in. | 12/19/2016 6:08 PM |
| 59 | I think potential lawyers need to learn NC law. Our laws are sometimes quite different than other states. If you don't know NC law, you shouldn't be licensed here. Of course, law students would prefer it, as they would not have to study for more than one exam. | 12/19/2016 2:41 PM |
| 60 | What's the point being against it, you all have a monopoly on the misrepresentation of justice and law already. Its not like you all actually care what people think. | 12/18/2016 2:19 PM |
| 61 | Attorneys need to know NC law, not just the majority rule. | 12/16/2016 4:03 PM |
| 62 | Lawyers need to know NC specific law, not just the "majority" approach. | 12/16/2016 4:02 PM |
| 63 | I think that the bar exam is perfect the way it is with the NC specific written exam and the MBE. | 12/16/2016 8:28 AM |
| 64 | property laws that are peculiar to N.C. contributory negligence and other tort laws that are peculiar to N.C. | 12/15/2016 9:03 PM |
| 65 | I don't think it's a total abomination, but I do have reservations about the change to the UBE, as it may lessen the appropriately rigorous requirement for being admitted to the North Carolina State Bar. | 12/15/2016 4:43 PM |
| 66 | There is nothing "uniform" about the laws of our states. This will allow more competition from out of state attorneys who will not have to show the knowledge of our state's laws prior to admission to our bar. Current bar members should get a refund of our dues when this happens. Let the out of state attorneys subsidize the NC State Bar if they're going to be advocating for out of state attorneys. | 12/14/2016 9:40 PM |
| 67 | Concerns over students not learning nuances of NC law sufficient to practice in NC | 12/14/2016 5:19 PM |
| 68 | A universal exam happens in the law school process. Our exam guarantees our lawyers understand our law. | 12/14/2016 4:57 PM |
| 69 | I worked my butt off to pass two bar exams. I don't like people taking the easy way. | 12/14/2016 3:48 PM |
| 70 | NA | 12/14/2016 3:03 PM |
| 71 | Proceed carefully and thoughtfully. UBE will expand the opportunity for reciprocity and the risk of lower quality legal services. | 12/14/2016 2:08 PM |

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| 72 | In NC statutes re family law there are many nuances that affect a client's divorce case. The state specific requirements can be critical in certain cases. Adopting the UBE without including the many specific requirements under NC law would seem to increase confusion among new law graduates at a greater rate, thus with potential harm to the public. It is no secret that a number of newly graduated attorneys start out in family law thinking that it is easy work until they get a nod to go into whatever other area of law they want to be in. This often leads to poor representation in areas as important as domestic violence, domestic violence defense, alimony and defense of same, child custody, child support and marital separation in general. | 12/14/2016 1:14 PM |
| 73 | This is the dumbest idea I have heard in a while (and I hear a lot of dumb ideas). Of course recent law school graduates favor a UBE. They think they know everything. It will take them years of practice to realize that what they think they know isn't true. State laws are different for a reason. The recognition of nuances in state law is what makes a reasonably acceptable lawyer. I cannot even believe this is being considered. The people who came up with this idea should be forced to practice law in California. | 12/14/2016 1:03 PM |
| 74 | I am concerned because I feel the North Carolina essay day is the most important of the two bar testing days. The ability to synthesize large amounts of information and then use that information to draft a reasoned opinion is vital to the successful practice of law. I worry that portion would be lost if the UBE is adopted. I am in favor of allowing certain uniform tests to be used to more quickly gain admittance into another state after someone has passed the bar. However, in some ways I do feel the UBE may be a "race to the bottom" as far as lowering the standards to admission into the profession. I had a completely different opinion when I was a law student, and I appreciate that perspective as a practicing attorney. This job market is challenging, but we should still maintain high standards for those entering the profession. | 12/14/2016 10:15 AM |
| 75 | North Carolina has so many unique facets that I fear would become diluted with a national bar exam. The multistate exam should be enough. | 12/14/2016 10:05 AM |
| 76 | Your survey questions are awful. Three choices: "about time" vs. "abomination" vs. "good idea" ??? Surely the drafter, not to mention his or her supervisor, not to mention the Board, should see those choices as inadequate and not up to the task at hand. Shame on them all. | 12/14/2016 9:43 AM |
| 77 | While a portion of the exam could be reflective of a UBE, if you are going to be licensed to practice NC law, then the exam should be on NC law | 12/14/2016 9:34 AM |
| 78 | Our Bar Examiners should use their questions | 12/14/2016 9:27 AM |
| 79 | There has been so little information on the content, the authors, the modification for individual states that there is no good way to evaluate the proposal. | 12/14/2016 9:25 AM |
| 80 | I am concerned whether the UBE would adequately test nuances of NC law that differ to the common law or majority rules. | 12/14/2016 9:18 AM |
| 81 | Frankly, law schools do very little to prepare one for specifically practicing law in North Carolina. Preparing for a state-specific bar was a great learning experience. Adopting a UBE would deemphasize the necessity about learning NC law and would create even weaker young lawyers. The quality had diminished enough already. | 12/14/2016 9:07 AM |
| 82 | I fear that you would have new lawyers knowing even less NC law as they begin with terrible malpractice consequences. Perhaps worse, this will lead to mass reciprocity to our state from out of state lawyers. | 12/14/2016 9:02 AM |
| 83 | I think it is better to test upcoming attorneys on NC law rather than have them apply general rules to a fact pattern. It is important to have a certain mastery of NC law when you graduate. | 12/14/2016 7:42 AM |
| 84 | North Carolina is unique and lawyers need to know the law in North Carolina, e.g., alienation of affection. | 12/14/2016 6:49 AM |
| 85 | I don't believe it adequately tests potential attorneys | 12/14/2016 12:59 AM |
| 86 | none. | 12/13/2016 11:29 PM |
| 87 | Seeing the applicants are seeking a NC license to practice law, they should be ask questions about NC law. Testing them on the majority rule and minority rule seems pointless/ | 12/13/2016 8:17 PM |
| 88 | No test for NC law. Further floods the market. | 12/13/2016 7:51 PM |
| 89 | A bar exam is to determine if the young law graduates possess adequate knowledge of NORTH CAROLINA LAW to be able to practice in our State. There are a very few uniform laws in NC, and those needed to be tested along with what is the NC law. | 12/13/2016 7:51 PM |
| 90 | If adopted, we will have a bunch of lawyers who do not know law and practice particularly specific to NC. It will also result in more enormous law firms claiming they know NC law when they do not. I think this is a terrible idea. I see no reason how adoption of UBE helps the people of North Carolina. | 12/13/2016 7:12 PM |
| 91 | The law in each state is not uniform. I would be for it law licenses are to be uniform in every state without having to re-take the Bar exam in order to practice in another State. | 12/13/2016 7:09 PM |

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| 92 | Individuals without sufficient knowledge of North Carolina law will be allowed to practice law. | 12/13/2016 6:34 PM |
| 93 | I recall it being a ridiculous waste of time studying for the MBE to learn laws other than NC laws. That same analysis applies to the UBE. What possible benefit is there to learn, for example, how recording affects deed transfers in a notice jurisdiction when NC is a race jurisdiction? If we just want to see how smart everyone is, then give them all an IQ test and be done with it. Its hard enough to train a new attorney without them having to unlearn things that are right somewhere else but not here. | 12/13/2016 6:17 PM |
| 94 | I took the UBE in another state and felt like it did absolutely nothing to really prepare me for practicing law in that jurisdiction. Learning what makes a jurisdiction unique is important, and often times something you learned solely for the bar exam will be there in the recesses of your brain to help assist clients and/or at least get a starting point for providing that assistance. I would be truly sad if the UBE was adopted. | 12/13/2016 6:01 PM |
| 95 | We practice law in NC. Candidates for admission need to demonstrate knowledge of NC laws and procedures. | 12/13/2016 5:44 PM |
| 96 | My two primary reasons for opposition are: (1) the importance of attorneys who will be practicing law in a specific state to become familiar (at least for one moment in time) with the broad laws of that state, and (2) there's a value in creating barriers to entry for licensing in states (like the long-time requirement of practicing a certain number of years for reciprocity). I suspect that the easier you make it for folks to get licensed in multiple jurisdictions, the more likely you are to find a rise in malpractice claims. | 12/13/2016 5:38 PM |
| 97 | I am probably insufficiently informed, but having had to take two separate bar exams in my career (Georgia and North Carolina), both of which involved lengthy essays dealing with the finer points of state law, I find it difficult to accept that it has become easier to master the law of a particular state, or that state bars should be less vigilant in setting the particular standards for each state. | 12/13/2016 5:30 PM |
| 98 | Absence of state law, and frankly, concern that the bar exam will be dumbed down and recent graduates even more ignorant of relevant state law than they are now. | 12/13/2016 5:23 PM |
| 99 | I do not | 12/13/2016 5:21 PM |
| 100 | North Carolina Lawyers need to know North Carolina law. | 12/13/2016 5:17 PM |
| 101 | Under the Constitution we have federal powers and state powers and those laws which are under the states are not and should not be uniform. Just because something is easy does not make it a good idea. I would want a lot more information. | 12/13/2016 5:17 PM |
| 102 | To practice in NC, it helps to study a good bit of NC law and be tested on it. | 12/13/2016 5:16 PM |
| 103 | N/A | 12/13/2016 5:08 PM |
| 104 | Loss of control over members of the State Bar | 12/13/2016 5:05 PM |
| 105 | N/A | 12/13/2016 5:05 PM |
| 106 | The current bar exam insures that admittees are conversant with NC law. The UBE (much like its component, the MBE) tests generalities, many of which do not apply to NC (e.g. contributory negligence). | 12/13/2016 5:04 PM |
| 107 | If you are going to practice law in NC, you should be tested on NC law, not general rules of other states. We have enough bad lawyers in NC already without their not even knowing NC law. | 12/13/2016 5:03 PM |
| 108 | Until the statutes of every state are the same and the decisions of each state court are identical, how is it possible to evaluate an individual's qualifications to practice in a given jurisdiction with a "general" exam? | 12/13/2016 5:03 PM |
| 109 | As a student from an out of state law school, studying for the NC specific bar exam was an important step to learning the nuances of NC law prior to practice. | 12/13/2016 5:02 PM |
| 110 | Practicing law in NC requires specific knowledge of NC law. I don't believe that passing a "uniform bar exam" will tell us much about whether the lawyer has the knowledge needed to effectively represent clients here in NC. | 12/13/2016 5:00 PM |
| 111 | If the UBE only applies to those currently taking the bar, and doesn't allow us old-timers to get reciprocity for having taken the NC bar, it would give the youngsters an advantage over us old-timers if they were to move outside of NC. | 12/13/2016 4:58 PM |
| 112 | I fear that this will be a way for law firms to become more nationalized. This has already begun to be a problem with the easing of rules preventing sites such as Legal Zoom from providing legal assistance. | 12/13/2016 4:56 PM |
| 113 | Generations of aspiring North Carolina lawyers have had the opportunity to delve into caselaw that exhibits our state-specific nuances. I learned many a NC rule just in the months of studying for the bar. My repetition of the NC General Statutes Chapter Numbers was so intense that I can still remember most of them today. | 12/13/2016 4:56 PM |
| 114 | An exam for a NC license to practice law should predominantly test NC law, not generic law that may or may not (and in many cases is not) applicable to NC law. What the law is in WA has little bearing on what the law is in NC. | 12/13/2016 4:56 PM |
| 115 | Many of North Carolina's laws are unique and the exam should be as well. | 12/13/2016 4:56 PM |

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| 116 | If people are concerned about NC specific laws not being on the UBE, then the required PNA CLE could include an extra day that covers NC specific laws. | 12/13/2016 4:55 PM |
| 117 | You don't have to be a states' righter to think an attorney should be adept with the quirks and culture of the state's judicature. | 12/13/2016 4:53 PM |
| 118 | No uniform state laws and therefore no uniform exam | 12/13/2016 4:53 PM |
| 119 | We need to test applicants and focus on NC law. | 12/13/2016 4:52 PM |
| 120 | A standardized bar exam will lower the bar for competency. There are already too many lawyers in NC and we need to limit the number of new lawyers admitted each year. | 12/13/2016 4:51 PM |
| 121 | N/A | 12/13/2016 4:50 PM |
| 122 | I believe that the UBE will lower North Carolina's high standards for bar admission. | 12/13/2016 4:50 PM |
| 123 | This is a direct result of the current generation of students and budding attorneys that expect to be handed things without putting in the work. It is pervasive in this generation. | 12/13/2016 4:50 PM |
| 124 | see above. | 12/13/2016 4:50 PM |
| 125 | The standards for becoming a lawyer are currently too low, not too high. We don't need to make it any easier for graduates of substandard schools such as Charlotte School of Law to pass the bar and inflict their incompetence on the public. | 12/13/2016 4:49 PM |
| 126 | Entire profession is dumbing down and my concern would be that the UBE brings NC standard lower. | 12/13/2016 4:46 PM |
| 127 | N/A | 12/13/2016 4:46 PM |
| 128 | For one, it's important for incoming lawyers to understand NC specific law. They already don't teach NC law in most law schools, preparing for the bar exam is often where they learn it. Plus, and perhaps more importantly, we have too many lawyers in the state as it is. We do not need to start making things easier. Until certain law schools start losing their accreditation, the bar exam must remain a final gatekeeper for the profession. Lowering the standards will not only allow unqualified in-state law grads to enter the profession but will also make it easier for out of state lawyers and JDs to come into our market. Is anyone in power actually looking out for the health and well-being of the profession and the NC legal market? | 12/13/2016 4:45 PM |
| 129 | I think "abomination" is too strong a word, but I oppose but because I think the practice of law does and should vary from state to state. | 12/13/2016 4:44 PM |
| 130 | Significance of NC law distinctions | 12/13/2016 4:43 PM |
| 131 | Nope-it level levels the playing field so that the only thing that students will focus on will be school cost and pass rates. We will now have attorneys that many easily move to new jurisdictions or practice in more than one jurisdiction. This will lead to more uniform laws and ultimately lower the cost of legal services. | 12/13/2016 4:43 PM |
| 132 | The NC Bar tests important NC distinctions and should be left the way it is. | 12/13/2016 4:42 PM |
| 133 | The bar exam is supposed to show if you know NC law, not the law of California or some "generic state." | 12/13/2016 4:42 PM |
| 134 | The choices were pretty extreme. If the UBE includes a North Carolina section and the Uniform portion covers only those areas of law where NC adopted Uniform Acts without modification, that's fine. If the UBE means lawyers are licensed without knowledge of North Carolina specific law, it sets up the probability that attorneys will be harming clients and the public by handling matters for which they do not know the applicable law. It strikes me that even with Uniform Acts, the vast majority of NC disputes are likely related to NC-specific laws. To allow licensing solely by UBE passage would harm clients who must trust lawyers to act on their behalf with knowledge and understanding of NC law and its specific distinctions. | 12/13/2016 4:41 PM |
| 135 | I don't oppose it. | 12/13/2016 4:41 PM |
| 136 | Flood of out of state attorneys, people with no connection to North Carolina, depriving NC graduates of opportunities | 12/13/2016 4:40 PM |
| 137 | How does the UBE know best what a person practicing law in NC should know prior to admission. | 12/13/2016 4:38 PM |
| 138 | Attorney/legal market in NC, such as in Charlotte, is already saturated. UBE only makes it easier. | 12/13/2016 4:38 PM |
| 139 | I learned important parts of NC law when studying for the NC Bar. | 12/13/2016 4:38 PM |
| 140 | The State Bar is already in the process of reducing the number of people who are admitted to practice (primarily Charlotte SOL) by having one of the hardest bar exams in the nation. Are we going to set our standard score as the highest in the nation for the same reason? | 12/13/2016 4:38 PM |
| 141 | n/a | 12/13/2016 4:38 PM |