

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION
POLITICAL AND PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW

SEPTEMBER 6, 2009

(First Sunday, Morning)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. Constitutional Law
2. Political Law
3. Administrative Law and Law on Public Officers

EXCLUDE: Implementing rules and regulations of different agencies

4. Laws on Suffrage
 - (a) Party List Law (R.A. 7941)
 - (b) Omnibus Election Code of the Philippines (B.P. 881)
 - (c) Electoral Reforms Law of 1987 (R.A. No. 6646)
 - (d) R.A. 7166 – An Act Providing for Synchronized National and Local Elections
and For Electoral Reforms
 - (e) R.A. 9006 – Fair Election Practice Act

5. Local Government Code (R.A. No. 7160) (Basics)

EXCLUDE: Provisions Relating to Local Taxation

6. Public Corporations
7. Public International Law

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION

LABOR STANDARDS / TERMINATION LAW AND SOCIAL LEGISLATION

September 6, 2009

(First Sunday, Afternoon)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

- I. Labor Laws (Labor Standards Law and Labor Relation Law)
 - (a) Labor Code of the Philippines (P.D. No. 442, as amended).
Books I, II, III, V, VI and VII
EXCLUDE: Book IV
 - (b) Thirteenth (13th) Month Pay Law (P.D. No. 851, as amended)
 - (c) The Omnibus Rules Implementing the Labor Code of the Philippines.
(Limited to cases decided by the Supreme Court)
 - (d) Guidelines for the Exercise of the Right to Organize of Government Employees, etc. (Executive Order No. 180, June 1, 1987).
- II. Social Legislation
 - (a) Social Security Act of 1997 (R.A. No. 8282)
 - (b) Government Service Insurance Act of 1997 (R.A. No. 8291)
 - (c) Anti-Sexual Harassment Act of 1995 (R.A. No. 7877)
 - EXCLUDE:
 - (a) Employees Compensation and State Insurance Fund.
 - (b) Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION

CIVIL LAW

September 13, 2009

(Second Sunday, Morning)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. Civil Code of the Philippines

INCLUDE: The Law on Sale of Subdivision Lots and Condominium (P.D. No. 957) and the Condominium Act (R.A. No. 4726)

EXCLUDE the following:

- (a) Code of Muslim Personal Laws of the Philippines (P.D. No. 1083)
- (b) Water Code (P.D. 1067)
- (c) The Rental Law (B.P. Blg. 25 and amendments)
- (d) Intellectual Property Law

2. The Family Code of the Philippines

EXCLUDE: Child and Youth Welfare Code (P.D. 603)

3. Domestic Adoption act of 1998 (R.A. No. 8552)

4. Inter-Country Adoption Act of 1995 (R.A. No. 8043)

5. Property Registration Decree (P.D. No. 1529)

INCLUDE: Public Land Law (C.A. No. 141, as amended)

6. Conflict of Laws (Private International Law)

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION
TAXATION

September 13, 2009

(Second Sunday, Afternoon)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. General Principles of Taxation

2. National Internal Revenue Code

INCLUDE: (a) Comprehensive Tax Reform Act of 1997 (R.A. No. 8424) –
Provisions in effect

(b) All Value Added Tax (VAT) laws in effect

EXCLUDE: Percentage Taxes, Excise Taxes and Documentary Stamp Taxes

3. Tariff and Customs Code

EXCLUDE: Arrastre and Classification of Commodities

4. Republic Act No. 1125, Creating the Court of Tax Appeals, as amended

5. The Local Government Code on Taxation

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION

MERCANTILE LAW

September 20, 2009

(Third Sunday, Morning)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. Code of Commerce

- (a) Merchants and Commercial Transactions, Articles 1-63
- (b) Letters of Credit Under the Code of Commerce (Articles 567-572)

INCLUDE the following:

- (i). Bulk Sales Law (Act No. 3952)
- (ii). The Warehouse Receipts Law (Act No. 2137 in relation to the General Bonded Warehouse Act [Act No. 3893])
- (iii). Presidential Decree 115 on Trust Receipts

2. Negotiable Instruments Law

3. Insurance Code (P.D. No. 1460)

INCLUDE: Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation Act (R.A. 3591, as amended)

4. Transportation Laws

- (a) Common Carriers (Civil Code, Arts. 1732 to 1766).
- (b) Commercial Contracts for Transportation Overland (Code of Commerce, Arts. 349 to 379)
- (c) Maritime Commerce (Code of Commerce, Arts. 673 to 736; also Arts. 580-584 of Code of Commerce, as superseded by R.A. No. 6106; Arts. 806 to 845 of Code of Commerce; Paragraph 6 of section 3 of Carriage of Goods by Sea Act [Com. Act 65])
- (d) Public Service Act (Com. Act No. 146), as amended.
- (e) The Warsaw Convention of 1929 (Limited to the Carrier's Liability).

5. Corporation Law

- (a) The Corporation Code (B.P. Blg. 68)
- (b) Securities Regulation Code (R.A. 8799)

(c) Banking Laws: (General terms and provisions)

- i) The New Central Bank Act (R.A. No. 7653) (Basics)
- ii) Law on Secrecy of Bank Deposits
(R.A. No. 1405, as amended)

6. Intellectual Property Code (R.A. No. 8293) (Basics)

EXCLUDE: Implementing Rules and Regulations

7. Special Laws

- (a) The Chattel Mortgage Law (Act 1508 in Relation to arts. 1484, 1485, 2140, and 2141 of the Civil Code)
- (b) Real Estate Mortgage Law (Act No. 3135, as amended by R.A. No. 4118)
- (c) Truth in Lending Act (R.A. No. 3765)

EXCLUDE the following:

- (1) Omnibus Investment Code of 1987 (Executive Order No. 226)
- (2) Foreign Investment Act of 1991 (R.A. No. 7042)

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION

CRIMINAL LAW

September 20, 2009

(Third Sunday, Afternoon)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. The Revised Penal Code (Books I and II), as amended.

EXCLUDE: Penalties for specific felonies

2. Indeterminate Sentence Law
3. Probation Law
4. Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act (R.A. No. 3019, as amended)
5. Anti-Fencing Law (P.D. No. 1612)
6. Bouncing Checks Law (B.P. Blg. 22)
7. Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 (R.A. No. 9165, as amended)
8. Heinous Crimes Act (R.A. No. 7659, as amended)
9. Anti-Money Laundering Act of 2001 (R.A. No. 9160)

EXCLUDE: Civil Forfeiture Rules

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION

REMEDIAL LAW

September 27, 2009

(Fourth Sunday, Morning)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. The Rules of Court, as amended
 - (a) 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure
 - (b) Revised Rules of Criminal Procedure (effective December 1, 2000)
 - (c) Rules on Evidence
 - INCLUDE: i) DNA
 - ii) Electronic
 - (d) Rules on Special Proceedings
2. The 1991 Revised Rules on Summary Procedure
3. Local Government Code on Conciliation Procedures
(Book III, Title I, Chapter 7)
4. The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980 (B.P. Blg. 129), as amended by R.A. No. 7691 and rules issued thereunder (emphasis on jurisdiction excluding purely administrative provisions)
5. Judiciary Act of 1948
 - EXCLUDE the following:
 - (a) P.D. No. 946 (Reorganizing the CAR)
 - (b) Military Justice
6. Jurisdiction of Sandiganbayan
 - (a) R.A. No. 7975
 - (b) R.A. No. 8249
7. The Rule on the Writ of Amparo (A.M. No. 07-9-12-SC)
8. The Rule on the Writ of Habeas Data (A.M. No. 08-1-16-SC)

COVERAGE OF THE BAR EXAMINATION
LEGAL ETHICS AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

September 27, 2009

(Fourth Sunday, Afternoon)

This examination covers decisions of the Supreme Court, promulgated up to 30 June 2008, and Republic Acts, Presidential Decrees and Executive Orders, promulgated up to 31 December 2007.

1. Code of Judicial Conduct
2. Code of Professional Responsibility
3. Grievance Procedures (Rule 139-b, Rules of Court)
4. Legal Forms