PREFACE

Dear Bar Taker,

Thank you for buying this book and we hope you find it helpful. We wrote it because we wanted a similar book to use with our students and there was no such book readily available that included thorough coverage of the MBE tested rules in a condensed format. Preparing to pass the bar exam is a lot of work, and with this book we are trying to do our part to make the preparation more manageable and affordable and bar passage more attainable.

This book is a handy reference that can be used during law school, for early bar study (which we highly recommend), and during the traditional post-graduation bar prep study period. We included examples from MBE fact patterns to illustrate the concepts to aid rule understanding and shortcut pattern recognition. Having spent a lot of time analyzing MBE questions (all NCBE released questions as of October 2025), we noticed patterns in the way the bar examiners attempted to entice bar takers into selecting the wrong answer (which we call decoys), and we have shared those insights with you. Through working with bar takers, we have discovered an effective way to attack MBE questions and study for success on the MBE. We hope this information assists you as you study to pass the bar exam. While the NCBE is transitioning to the NextGen bar exam, we have a section that discusses those changes as well for guidance on how to use this book in regard to the current MBE exam and a future NextGen multiple-choice exam. Remember that you will need to use an additional source to actually practice MBE questions.

We wish you all the best on the bar exam and in all your future endeavors.

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