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CERTIFIED PARALEGAL EXAM SPECIFICATIONS

Through 2023

Effective 2024

Knowledge Exam 100 Points			
1	United States Legal System	15	
1.A	Sources of Law		
1.B	Judicial System		
1.C	Remedies		
1.D	Administrative Law		
2	Civil Litigation	15	
2.A	Jurisdiction		
2.B	Federal Rules of Civil Procedure		
3	Contracts	15	
3.A	Formation, Rights, and Duties		
3.B	Enforcement and Defenses		
4	Corporate/Commercial Law	10	
4.A	Business Organizations		
4.B	Rights and Responsibilities		
4.C	Transactions		
5	Criminal Law and Procedure	5	
5.A	Criminal Law		
5.B	Criminal Procedure		
6	Estate Planning and Probate	5	
6.A	Estate and Trusts		
6.B	Wills		
7	Real Estate and Property	10	
7.A	Property Rights and Ownership		
7.B	Transactions		
8	Torts	10	
8.A	Intentional Torts		
8.B	Negligence		
8.C	Strict Liability		
9	Professional and Ethical Responsibility	15	
9.A	American Bar Association (ABA) Model Rules of Professional Conduct		
9.B	Unauthorized Practice of Law		
Skills Exam 30 Points			
1	Writing	12	
1.A	Grammar, Spelling, and Punctuation	6	
1.B	Clarity of Expression	6	
2	Critical Thinking	18	
2.A	Reading Comprehension	6	
2.B	Analysis of Information	6	
2.C	Decision Making	6	

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1.A 1.B	Judicial System	
1.C	Remedies	
1.C 1.D	Administrative Law	
2	Civil Litigation	15
2.A	Jurisdiction	15
2.A 2.B	Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Evidence	
2.C	Alternative Dispute Resolution	
3	Contracts	10
3.A	Formation, Rights, and Duties	
3.B	Enforcement and Defenses	
4	Corporate/Commercial Law	10
4.A	Business Organizations	
4.B	Rights and Responsibilities	
5	Criminal Law and Procedure	7
6	Estate Planning and Probate	7
6.A	Estates, Trusts, and Wills	
7	Real Estate and Property	8
7.A	Property Rights, Ownership, and Transactions	
8	Torts	10
8.A	Negligence and Strict Liability	
9	Professional and Ethical Responsibility	12
9.A	American Bar Association (ABA) Model Rules of Conduct	
9.B	Unauthorized Practice of Law	
10	Debtor/Creditor and Bankruptcy	6
	Skills Exam 30 Points	
1	Legal Writing	10
1.A	Composition	7
1.B	Mechanic	3
2	Critical Thinking	20
2.A	Identification of Relevant Facts	4
2.B	Issue Spotting	7
2.C	Analysis of Facts and Rules	7
2.D	Drawing Conclusions	2