

1 **Rule 14-706. Test accommodations.**

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3 (a) Disabilities and impairments. An Applicant who has mental, physical, or cognitive disabilities  
4 as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") may request test accommodations.  
5 The request, including all supporting medical documentation, ~~shall~~must be made in writing at the  
6 time of application in the format prescribed by the Bar. The decision on such requests ~~shall~~must  
7 be made by the Test Accommodations Committee. Test accommodation requests received after  
8 the application filing deadline ~~shall~~will not be considered until the review period ~~prior to the~~  
9 ~~immediately following examination~~for the examination immediately following the one for which  
10 the deadline has passed. An Applicant requesting test accommodations who withdraws within 60  
11 days prior to the examination date may be charged a fee equivalent to any nonrefundable expenses  
12 the Bar has incurred responding to the accommodation request. The Applicant must demonstrate  
13 that:

14 (a)(1) ~~she or he~~the Applicant is disabled as defined by the ADA; and

15 (a)(2) the disability impacts the Applicant's ~~her or his~~ ability to take the Bar Examination;  
16 and

17 (a)(3) the accommodation requested is necessary to meet the limitation caused by the  
18 disability.

19 (b) English as a second language. English as a second language is not a cognitive disability or  
20 impairment.

21 (c) Review. An Applicant may request a review of the decision. The review will be conducted in  
22 accordance with Rule 14-715.

23 (e)(1) The review will only reexamine the documentation the Applicant submitted at the  
24 time ~~she or he~~the Applicant requested accommodation, ~~the written opinion of the~~  
25 ~~Committee's psychologist, the written recommendation of the Test Accommodations~~  
26 ~~Committee and the Bar's written decision.~~ and the written determination of the Test  
27 Accommodations Committee.

28 (e)(2) Any attempt to change the original accommodations request or submit new medical  
29 documentation will be considered a new request for accommodation. The new request must  
30 be resubmitted to the Test Accommodations Committee via the Deputy General Counsel  
31 for review and is subject to the deadlines set forth in Rule 14-706(a).