

Checklist: after you receive letter from BLE w/ Bar Passage!

1. Send in your Registration Form, License Fee, SBOT Dues, Attorney Occupation Tax, and Legal Services Fee.
2. Print SBOT [Oath of Office](#).
3. Follow directions on SBOT Oath of Office- get sworn in. It is my understanding that you cannot get sworn in until your class is certified by the Dean. This should occur the end of May.
4. Await confirmation of receipt of dues, etc - and bar card w/ your State Bar Number.
5. You're an attorney now!
6. Receive law license 1-2 months after grades posted.

from http://www.ble.state.tx.us/FAQ/main_faq.htm

Question 5: If I do not plan to attend the swearing-in ceremony, how do I become licensed as soon as possible?

The result letter gives specific instructions to those who pass and are eligible to be licensed. If you receive that letter, please review it carefully. However, merely being sworn in does not authorize you to practice law in Texas. You cannot legally practice law until you have filed your registration form, along with your License fee, Bar dues, Attorney Occupation tax and the Legal Services Fee, and have been issued a bar card number. If you do not apply for licensure, your exam results will become void two (2) years from the date on the result letter.

For those who want to become licensed before the official swearing-in ceremony, follow these procedures AFTER YOU RECEIVE THE GRADE PACKET:

1. Mail the following items to the State Bar of Texas, Membership Department, P. O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711-2487:
 - a. a check, payable to the **Clerk of the Supreme Court**, for bar dues and the license fee, in the applicable amount set out in the letter from the Membership Department;
 - b. a second check payable to the Texas State Comptroller, for the occupation tax and Legal Services fee, in the applicable amount set out in the letter from the Membership Department, or written notification of an exemption;
 - c. the completed State Bar Membership registration form.
2. You may be sworn-in by any person authorized to administer an oath (see [Texas Government Code, §602.002](#) and following). The

oath to be mailed with the license may also be found in the [Texas Government Code §82.037](#).

The oath is also available [here](#).

The Membership information and registration form will be enclosed with the grades for those examinees who are eligible to be licensed.

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