THE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS ANNUAL REPORT ********

N/A

ANNUAL REPORT for the year ending December 31, 2021.

1) Board of Law Examiners of the State of North Carolina 5510 Six Forks Road, Suite 300 Raleigh, North Carolina 27609

Names of Board members: See Attachment A

Officers of Board:

***** (1a)

D. Clark Smith Jr., Chair Lee A. Vlahos, Executive Director

The total number of licensees supervised by the Board.

*	(2)	Number of persons who applied to Board for examination	1449
*	(3)	Number who were refused examination	<u>43</u>
*	(4)	Number who took the examination	<u>1252</u>
**	(5)	Number to whom initial licenses were issued	<u>870</u>
	(5a)	Number who failed the examination	377
	(6)	Number who applied for licenses by reciprocity or comity	<u>209</u>
	(6a)	Number who applied for licenses by transfer of a Uniform Bar examination score	<u>200</u>
***	(7)	Number who were granted licenses by reciprocity or comity or transfer of Uniform Bar Exam Score.	<u>412</u>
****	(7a)	Number of official complaints received involving licensed and unlicensed activities	<u>N/A</u>
****	(7b)	The number of disciplinary actions taken against licensees, or other actions taken again nonlicensees, including injunctive relief	<u>N/A</u>
****	(8)	Number of licenses suspended or revoked	N/A
****	(9)	Number of licenses terminated for any reason other than failure to pay the required renewal fee	<u>N/A</u>
*****(9a)		The number of applicants for license of that number, the number granted a license	1661 1282
*****(9b)		The number of applicants with a conviction record, of that number, the number granted a license, the number denied a license for any reason, and denied a license because of a conviction.	$ \begin{array}{r} 24 \\ \hline 16 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 0 \end{array} $

*****(9c)	The number of applicants with military training, the number granted a license the number denied a license for any reason and summary of the reasons for denial. The information provided in accordance with this subdivision shall not disclose any identifying information of any applicant.	<u>5</u> <u>4</u> 0 N/A
*****(9d)	The number of applicants who are military spouses, the number granted a license, the number denied a license for any reason Summary of reasons for denial	5 4 0 N/A
(10)	Substance of any anticipated request by the occupational licensing board to the General Assembly to amend statutes related to the occupational licensing board	None
(11)	Substance of any anticipated change in rules adopted by the occupational licensing board or the substance of any anticipated adoption of new rules by the occupational licensing board	See Attachment C
	Respectfully,	

Date: 10/26/2022

Executive Director

a a. Vlalos

See Attachment B

Some applicants who were successful on the examination were not licensed in 2021 as they had not yet completed all requirements as of December 31, 2021.

Some of those applicants who were issued licenses applied in 2020 but were not approved by the Board until 2021.

The North Carolina Board of Law Examiners' authority ends at licensure; as such, the board does not supervise licensees nor handle complaints involving licensed and unlicensed activities. Complaints involving licensed and unlicensed activities fall within the purview of the North Carolina State Bar.

The North Carolina Board of Law Examiners' authority ends at licensure; as such, the board does not handle disciplinary actions against licensees, or other actions taken again non licensees, including license suspension, revocations and injunctive relief. Disciplinary actions fall within the purview of the North Carolina State Bar.

Some of these applicants submitted an application in 2020 but did not sit for examination until 2021, or had not completed all requirements as of December 31, 2021, and therefore were not licensed as of December 31, 2021.

ATTACHMENT A

(1a) Members of the Board as of December 31, 2021.

Mr. D. Clark Smith Jr. (Chair)

Ms. Kimberly Anne Herrick

Mr. Roger A. Askew

Mr. Ronald G. Baker, Sr.

Mr. G. Robert Hicks, III

Judge Ned W. Mangum

Judge Calvin E. Murphy

Judge Sherri W. Elliott

Mr. Michael J. Greene

Ms. Shelley Read Curran

Mr. Ronald L. Gibson

ATTACHMENT B

		Feb. 2021	July 2021	Other*
(2)	Number of persons who applied to Board for examination:	530	919	
(3)	Number who were refused examination:	9	34	
(4)	Number who took the examination:	435	817	
(5)	Number to whom initial licenses were issued:	259	611	
(5)(a) Number who failed the examination:		174	203	

February 2021 North Carolina Bar Examination:

Of the 530 applicants who made initial application, 94 withdrew, failed to appear, or did not finish the examination and 1 applicants' application was returned due to a dishonored check for application fees.

July 2021 North Carolina Bar Examination:

Of the 919 applicants who made initial application, 100 withdrew, failed to appear, or did not finish the examination and 2 applicants' applications were returned due to a dishonored check for application fees.

ATTACHMENT C

The Board anticipates amendments to Rules .0501 and .0504 of the Rules Governing Admission to the Practice of Law in North Carolina eliminating the North Carolina State-Specific Component as a requirement for licensure to practice law in North Carolina. These amendments were approved by the Council of the North Carolina State Bar and are pending approval by the North Carolina Supreme Court.