



Consultant's evaluation of ETS's 2018 report on the validity of the GRE

In December 2018, the Educational Testing Service released its report, *The Validity of GRE® General Test Scores for Predicting Academic Performance at U.S. Law Schools*, which summarized its study of the predictive value of the Graduate Requirement Examination, or GRE test, for law school applicants. Although the number of students admitted to ABA law schools with a GRE score has remained small, the number of schools that have announced plans to utilize the test score in admission decisions has been increasing. As a result, the Council of the [ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar](#) directed the office of the Managing Director of ABA Accreditation and Legal Education to have the ETS study assessed by an independent consultant with expertise in evaluating standardized tests. The office retained the services of the Center for Advanced Studies in Measurement and Assessment (CASMA) at the University of Iowa to assess the study.

The Managing Director's Office is releasing the consultant's report for public comment [here](#). The Council encourages written comments concerning the report and its recommendations. Please address all written comments on the report to Leo Martinez, Council Chair, and send to Fernando Maridueno at fernando.maridueno@americanbar.org by October 31, 2021. The Council will review the report and comments at its next meeting, scheduled for November 18-20. Comments received after the deadline may not be included in the materials considered by the Council at the meeting.

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