## Board Certification



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# Lawyering Applying Studying

#### Lawyering

This is an actual photo of a Lawyer while gaining the board certification experience.

- 1. Contested trials/binding arbitrations 13
- 2. Additional Contested Mattes 35
- 3. Jury Trials 2
- 4. Appeal 1
- 5. Mediations 27





### Applying

This is an actual photo of a Lawyer applying for the board certification exam.

https://www.tbls.org/myapp

"The TBLS online application process is structured to be as open and convenient as possible."

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#### Studying

#### - Oscar Mayer Weiner Song

- How did you study in law school?
- Texas Family Code, TRE, TRCP, TRAP, Penal Code
- O'Connor's Texas Family Law Handbook
- Sample Bar Exam Questions (IRAC Practice)
- State Bar FL Section Reports (especially case law updates)
- AFL Materials
- Family Law at Your Fingertips
- Outlines/Flash Cards
- TAFLS Study Guide https://www.tafls.org/wpcontent/uploads/2022/07/TAFLS-ord-form-Study-Guide-2022.pdf

"I wish I knew the grounds for an annulment; Drunk and young and just can't get it up! Fraud and incapacity toooooo!"

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#### DO THIS, NOT THAT

- DO track your cases with a spreadsheet like Laura
- DO NOT wait until the weekend of the application deadline like Jessica
- DO test Examsoft
- DO NOT wait to ensure Examsoft is compatible with your computer
- DO review all instructions in advance
- DO block your calendar
- DO consider a study buddy
- DO pay attention to how the points are allocated in the essay section
- DO NOT forget IRAC
- DO answer essays in detail (as though the reader knows nothing)



#### Thank you

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