

Law School With Abysmal Bar Passage Rate Loses ABA Approval

ABA approval for Thomas Jefferson School of Law, which was placed on probation in November 2017, has been withdrawn by the council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, **reports** the *ABA Journal*.

On its **website**, the San Diego-based school took issue with the withdrawal: "The Law School is disappointed by this capricious decision and strongly disagrees with the Council's findings." The statement says the school plans to appeal the council's decision, a process that could extend through the fall.

When the school was placed on probation in 2017, it was found to be noncompliant with several standards, including such areas as program resources, maintaining a rigorous program, admissions, academic attrition, and admissions policies, writes the *Journal's* **Stephanie Francis Ward**.

The law school's 2018 California bar passage rate for was 23.85 percent, according to ABA data, compared to the California bar passage rate for graduates of ABA-accredited law schools in 2018 of 60.34 percent.

Read the *ABA Journal* article.