

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

F. No. AOR Exam./June/2025
New Delhi, 09th April, 2025

NOTIFICATION

1. Under Rules 5 (i) and (ii) of Order IV, Supreme Court Rules, 2013 and Regulation 2 of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination made thereunder governing the examination for Advocates-on-Record, it is hereby notified for the information of all concerned that the next examination for the Advocates-on-Record will be held at New Delhi on **16th, 17th, 20th and 21st June, 2025**.
2. Advocates who have completed their training for a continuous period of one year commencing from the end of the fourth year of date of their enrolment ending with the 30th April, 2025, or would complete their training before the commencement of the said examination, shall be eligible to appear for the aforesaid examination.
3. Duly filled applications may be submitted in AOR Examination Cell i.e. **Room No. 307, 3rd Floor, B-Block, Administrative Buildings Complex, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi-110001** during office hours **from 15th April to 30th April, 2025**. For the convenience of the candidates, copy of the Application Form along with Instructions/Guidelines for submission of Application Form, has been appended to this notification as **Annexure-'A'**. Physical copy of the Application Form may also be obtained from AOR Examination Cell on any working day during office hours. **No application shall be accepted after the last date for receipt of applications i.e. 30th April, 2025 after 5.00 p.m.**
4. Acceptance of the application is subject to production of requisite certificate of completion of training from an Advocate-on-Record under Regulation 6 of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination.
5. A list of leading cases with regard to Paper-IV (Leading Cases) is appended to this Notification as **Annexure-'B'**.
6. Under Regulation 12 of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, no application/representation for re-evaluation of answer sheets shall be entertained. Application/representation seeking relief other than in the nature of re-evaluation shall not be entertained beyond a period of 30 days from the date of declaration of the result.

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7. In the ensuing examination, those who are given roll numbers and who absent themselves in any individual examination paper(s) will be treated as not sufficiently prepared for the examination and will be dealt with under Regulation 5(b) without giving them any further opportunity, and they shall not be permitted to sit in any subsequent examination except for good reason and with the express permission of the Board of Examiners.

8. Under Regulation 11(iii) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, a candidate who fails in all the papers of the examination shall not be permitted to appear in the next examination.

9. The candidates, who do not appear in all the papers and fail in any of the papers in which they have appeared, shall be treated to have failed in all the papers, including the papers they have not appeared.

10. Under Regulation 11(iv) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, a candidate shall not be allowed more than five chances to appear at the examination. Appearance, even in any one of the papers in an examination shall be deemed to be a chance. Those candidates who have already availed five chances are, therefore, not eligible to apply for AOR Examination-June, 2025. However, vide Circular F. No. 17/AOR Exam. dated 17.05.2024, the Advocates-on-Record Examination held in December, 2021 shall not be reckoned as a chance while counting the permissible five chances. Accordingly, as one-time relaxation, one more chance is permissible to the eligible candidates on the basis of their result in the last examination they appeared at.

11. The Advocates-on-Record Examination - 2025, shall be conducted through Pen & Paper mode only.

Sd/-

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LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION: 30.04.2025

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
APPLICATION FOR ADVOCATES-ON-RECORD EXAMINATION – JUNE, 2025

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To,
Hon'ble the Chief Justice of India
and His Companion
Hon'ble Judges of the
Supreme Court of India

The humble petition of _____, an Advocate,
S/o. / D/o. / W/o. Shri _____, most
respectfully showeth: **(NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS AS PER ENROLMENT CERTIFICATE)**

1. That I was enrolled as an Advocate with the Bar Council of _____
on _____ vide Enrolment No. _____ and that my name is still borne on
the rolls of the said Bar Council. **(Self attested copy of Enrolment Certificate to be
attached)**
2. That I have undergone training for one year under Mr./Ms. _____,
Advocate-on-Record from _____ to _____ **and/or my training will
be completing on or before 30.04.2025** and the Certificate of Completion of training
has been filed/is filed herewith/will be filed later before the commencement of
examination.

OR

That I have been exempted from compliance with the Rules under Rule 5(ii) (c) (1) or
(2), Order IV of the Supreme Court Rules, 2013 vide letter No. _____.

3. That I have never been convicted of any offence.

OR

That I have been convicted of an offence under _____ and sentenced to
_____ by _____ Court and the said conviction and
sentence has been stayed or suspended by _____ Court.

OR

That a period of two years has lapsed after I have served out the sentence/have paid
the fine imposed on me. (Particulars of conviction and sentence and date of release or
payment of fine should be given).

4. That my date of birth is _____.

5. That I desire to be registered as an Advocate-on-Record of the Supreme Court.
6. That I **applied, but did not appear** at the earlier examination(s) held in the year(s)_____ vide Roll No(s). _____.
7. That I **appeared in the earlier examination(s)**, particulars of which are as follows:-

| S. No. | Year of the Examination(s) | Roll No. | Result |
|--------|----------------------------|----------|--------|
| 1. | | | |
| 2. | | | |
| 3. | | | |
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| 5. | | | |

8. That I have been granted permission to re-appear under **Regulation 11(i) / 11(ii)** and, therefore, will appear in **Paper No.** _____ (_____).

OR

I do not wish to re-appear under Regulation **11(i) / 11(ii)**, and finally exercise option to appear in the **entire examination afresh**.

9. **That I am aware that after issuance of Roll No., if I absent myself in the examination or in any of the papers, I will be treated as not sufficiently prepared and will be dealt with under Regulation 5(b) without being given further opportunity, and that I shall not be permitted to sit in any subsequent Examination, without prior permission of the Board of Examiners.**
10. That I, therefore, pray that Your Lordships may be pleased to permit me to sit in the tests to be held by this Hon'ble Court in June, 2025 and I, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

Signed this the _____ day of April, 2025.

Signature

Office Address: _____

Residence Address: _____

Mobile No.: _____

E-Mail ID:

(Write E-mail ID legibly)

Instructions / Guidelines for submission of Application Form for Advocates-on-Record Examination-June, 2025

The aspirants for the forthcoming Advocates-on-Record Examination-June, 2025 are hereby informed that as an alternative to submission of the hard copy of the Application Form for the said Examination, the scanned copy of the Application Form, along with the requisite documents and the prescribed fee, may provisionally be submitted through e-mail, subject to submission of the hard copy of the same to be sent through post/courier.

The acceptance of the Application Form will be subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions:-

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| <p>1.</p> | <p>(i) The applicant-Advocates who have completed/will be completing continuous training of one year commencing from the end of the fourth year of date of their enrolment ending with the 30th April, 2025, or would complete their training before the commencement of the said examination, shall be eligible to appear for the aforesaid examination.</p> <p>(ii) Acceptance of the application is subject to production of requisite certificate of completion of training from an Advocate-on-Record under Regulation 6 of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination.</p> |
| <p>2.</p> | <p>(i) The Application Form should be legibly filled and duly signed by the applicant-Advocate.</p> <p>(ii) All the fields mentioned in the Application Form have to be filled by the applicant-Advocate. If any field is not applicable, the same may be struck out. No material information should be concealed.</p> <p>(iii) Incomplete/Illegible Application Form shall be summarily rejected.</p> |
| <p>3.</p> | <p>One photograph has to be pasted at the designated place, i.e., on the top-right side of the Application Form.</p> |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>Self-attested and legible copy of the Enrolment Certificate has to be annexed to the Application Form.</p> |
| <p>5.</p> | <p>The applicant-Advocate has to ensure that he/she is eligible to apply for AOR Examination-June, 2025 in all respects:-</p> <p>(i) He/she has undergone one year of mandatory training and had furnished prior intimation to this Registry.</p> <p>(ii) Under Regulation 11(iii) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, a candidate who fails in all the papers of the examination shall not be permitted to appear in the next examination. Those candidates who were declared to have failed in all papers of the last AOR Examination, in which they appeared, are, therefore, not eligible to apply for AOR Examination-June, 2025 in view of those provisions.</p> |

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| | <p>(iii) Under Regulation 11(iv) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, a candidate shall not be allowed more than five chances to appear at the examination. Appearance even in any one of the papers in an examination shall be deemed to be a chance. Those candidates who have already availed five chances are, therefore, not eligible to apply for AOR Examination-June, 2025. However, vide Circular F. No. 17/AOR Exam. dated 17.05.2024, the Advocates-on-Record Examination held in December, 2021 shall not be reckoned as a chance while counting the permissible five chances. Accordingly, as one-time relaxation, one more chance is permissible to the eligible candidates on the basis of their result in the last examination they appeared at.</p> |
| 6. | <p>The scanned copy of duly filled Application Form with photograph affixed thereon, along with the self-attested copy of the Enrolment Certificate, may be sent through e-mail at advocate-on-record@sci.nic.in, subject to submission of the hard copy of the same in AOR Examination Cell, Room No. 307, 3rd Floor, B-Block, Administrative Buildings Complex, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi-110001, latest by 5.00 p.m. on 30th April, 2025. Scanned copy of the Application Form must be accompanied by the requisite documents including fee payment receipt, failing which it is liable to be rejected.</p> |
| 7. | <p>For online payment, the applicant-Advocate is required to deposit the prescribed examination fee of ₹ 750/- in the following Account:- Account No.: 02070200016235 IFSC Code: UCBA0000207 Bank Name: UCO Bank, Supreme Court Compound, Delhi</p> |
| 8. | <p>After depositing the requisite examination fee (offline/online), the applicant-Advocate is required to submit the hard copy of the following documents: (i) Application Form, with one photograph affixed thereon. (ii) Self-attested copy of Enrolment Certificate. (iii) Receipt of payment of ₹ 750/-.</p> <p>These documents should be submitted or sent by post/courier to “AOR Examination Cell, Room No. 307, 3rd Floor, B-Block, Administrative Buildings Complex, Supreme Court of India, Tilak Marg, New Delhi-110001”.</p> |
| 9. | <p>The final acceptance of the Application Form will be subject to the receipt of the hard copy of the Application Form. The candidates may please note that the submission of the soft copy of the Application Form has to be done latest by 5.00 p.m. on 30th April, 2025. The last date for applying for AOR Examination-June, 2025 is 30th April, 2025. The Registry will not be responsible for any delay.</p> |
| 10. | <p>In case, at any stage, an applicant-Advocate is found to be ineligible to apply for AOR Examination-June, 2025, his/her Application Form will be rejected.</p> |

REVISED LIST OF LEADING CASES

| S.No. | Cause Title | SCR Citation | Equivalent citation in other journals |
|-------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. | His Holiness Kesavananda Bharati Sripadagalavaru v. State of Kerala | [1973] Suppl. SCR 1 | (1973) 4 SCC 225 |
| 2. | Maneka Gandhi v. Union of India | [1978] 2 SCR 621 | (1978) 1 SCC 248 |
| 3. | Minerva Mills Ltd. & Ors. v. Union of India & Ors. | [1981] 1 SCR 206 | (1980) 3 SCC 625 |
| 4. | Sharad Birdhi Chand Sarda v. State of Maharashtra | [1985] 1 SCR 88 | (1984) 4 SCC 116 |
| 5. | A.R. Antulay v. R.S. Nayak & Anr. | [1988] 1 Suppl. SCR 1 | (1988) 2 SCC 602 |
| 6. | Kihoto Hollohan v. Zachillhu and Others | [1992] 1 SCR 686 | (1992) Supp 2 SCC 651 |
| 7. | Indra Sawhney and Ors. Etc. Etc. v. Union of India and Ors. Etc. Etc. | [1992] 2 Suppl. SCR 454 | 1992 Supp (3) SCC 217 |
| 8. | S.R. Bommai and Ors. v. Union of India and Ors. | [1994] 2 SCR 644 | (1994) 3 SCC 1 |
| 9. | L. Chandra Kumar v. Union of India and Others | [1994] 6 Suppl. SCR 261 | (1995) 1 SCC 400 |
| 10. | Vellore Citizens Welfare Forum v. Union of India and Ors. | [1996] 5 Suppl. SCR 241 | (1996) 5 SCC 647 |
| 11. | D.K. Basu v. State of West Bengal | [1996] 10 Suppl. SCR 284 | (1997) 1 SCC 416 |
| 12. | Mafatlal Industries Ltd. Etc. Etc. v. Union of India Etc. Etc. | [1996] 10 Suppl. SCR 585 | (1997) 5 SCC 536 |
| 13. | Vishaka and Ors. v. State of Rajasthan and Ors. | [1997] 3 Suppl. SCR 404 | (1997) 6 SCC 241 |
| 14. | Githa Hariharan and Anr. v. Reserve Bank of India and Anr. | [1999] 1 SCR 669 | (1999) 2 SCC 228 |
| 15. | Rupa Ashok Hurra v. Ashok Hurra and Anr. | [2002] 2 SCR 1006 | (2002) 4 SCC 388 |
| 16. | Pradeep Kumar Biswas and Ors. v. Indian Institute of Chemical Biology and Ors. | [2002] 3 SCR 100 | (2002) 5 SCC 111 |
| 17. | P. Rama Chandra Rao v. State of Karnataka | [2002] 3 SCR 60 | (2002) 4 SCC 578 |
| 18. | T.M.A. Pai Foundation and Ors. v. State of Karnataka and Ors. | [2002] 3 Suppl. SCR 587 | (2002) 8 SCC 481: AIR 2003 SC 355 |
| 19. | P.A. Inamdar v. State of Maharashtra | | (2004) 8 SCC 139 |
| 20. | Technip SA v. SMS Holding (Pvt.) Ltd. & Ors. | [2005] 1 Suppl. SCR 223 | (2005) 5 SCC 465 |
| 21. | M/s. S.B.P. and Co. v. M/s. Patel Engineering Ltd. and Anr. | [2005] 4 Suppl. SCR 688 | (2005) 8 SCC 618 |
| 22. | Rameshwar Prasad & Ors. v. Union of India and Anr. | [2006] 1 SCR 562 | (2006) 2 SCC 1 |
| 23. | I.R. Coelho (Dead) By LRs. v. State of Tamil Nadu | [2007] 1 SCR 706 | (2007) 2 SCC 1 |

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| 24. | Common Cause (A Regd. Society) v. Union of India & Ors. | [2008] 6 SCR 262 | (2008) 5 SCC 511 |
| 25. | State of West Bengal & Ors. v. The Committee for Protection of Democratic Rights, West Bengal & Ors. | [2010] 2 SCR 979 | (2010) 3 SCC 571 |
| 26. | Smt. Selvi & Ors. v. State of Karnataka | [2010] 5 SCR 381 | (2010) 7 SCC 263 |
| 27. | Re: Special Reference No. 1 of 2012 [Under Article 143(1) of the Constitution of India] | [2012] 9 SCR 311 | (2012) 10 SCC 1 |
| 28. | Republic of Italy and Ors. v. Union of India and Ors. | [2013] 4 SCR 595 | (2013) 4 SCC 721 |
| 29. | Novartis AG v. Union of India & Others | [2013] 13 SCR 148 | (2013) 6 SCC 1 |
| 30. | Dr. Balram Prasad v. Dr. Kunal Saha & Ors. | [2013] 12 SCR 30 | (2014) 1 SCC 384 |
| 31. | Lalita Kumari v. Govt.of U.P. and Ors. | [2013] 14 SCR 713 | (2014) 2 SCC 1 |
| 32. | National Legal Services Authority v. Union of India and Others | [2014] 5 SCR 119 | (2014) 5 SCC 438 |
| 33. | Pramati Educational & Cultural Trust ® & Ors. v. Union of India & Ors. | [2014] 11 SCR 712 | (2014) 8 SCC 1 |
| 34. | M/s. Kailash Nath Associates v. Delhi Development Authority & Anr. | [2015] 1 SCR 627 | (2015) 4 SCC 136 |
| 35. | Shreya Singhal v. Union of India | [2015] 5 SCR 963 | (2015) 5SCC 01 |
| 36. | Supreme Court Advocates-on-Record Association and Another v. Union of India | [2015] 13 SCR 1 | 2016 (5) SCC 1 |
| 37. | Union of India v. V. Sriharan @ Murugan & Ors. | [2015] 14 SCR 613 | 2016 (7) SCC 1 |
| 38. | Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited v. EMCO Limited & Others | [2016] 1 SCR 857 | (2016) 11 SCC 182 |
| 39. | Mukesh & Anr. v. State for NCT of Delhi & Ors. | [2017] 6 SCR 1 | (2017) 6 SCC 1 |
| 40. | Excel Crop Care Limited v. Competition Commission of India and Another | [2017] 5 SCR 901 | (2017) 8 SCC 47 |
| 41. | Common Cause v. Union of India and Ors. | [2017] 13 SCR 361 | (2017) 9 SCC 499 |
| 42. | Shayara Bano v. Union of India and Others | [2017] 9 SCR 797 | (2017) 9 SCC 1 |
| 43. | Justice K S Puttaswamy (Retd.), and Anr. v. Union of India and Ors. | [2017] 10 SCR 569 | (2017) 10 SCC 1 |
| 44. | Common Cause (A Regd. Society) v. Union of India & Another | [2018] 6 SCR 1 | 2018 (5) SCC 1 |
| 45. | Municipal Corporation, Ujjain and Anr. v. BVG India Limited and Ors. | [2018] 6 SCR 861 | [2018 (5) SCC 462] |
| 46. | Shakti Vahini v. Union of India & Others | [2018] 3 SCR 770 | (2018) 7 SCC 192 |
| 47. | Navtej Singh Johar & Ors. v. Union of India Thr. Secretary Ministry of Law and Justice | [2018] 7 SCR 379 | (2018) 10 SCC 1 |
| 48. | Justice K.S. Puttaswamy (Retd.) & Anr. v. Union of India & Ors. | [2018] 8 SCR 1 | (2019) 1 SCC 1 |

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| 49. | Jarnail Singh & Others v. Lachhmi Narain Gupta & Others | [2018] 10 SCR 663 | (2018) 10 SCC-396 |
| 50. | Joseph Shine v. Union of India | [2018] 11 SCR 765 | (2019) 3 SCC 39 |
| 51. | Competition Commission of India v. Bharti Airtel Limited and Others | [2018] 14 SCR 489 | (2019) 2 SCC 521 |
| 52. | Swiss Ribbons Pvt. Ltd. & Anr. v. Union of India & Ors. | [2019] 3 SCR 535 | (2019) 4 SCC 17 |
| 53. | Ssangyong Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd. v. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) | [2019] 7 SCR 522 | 2019(15) SCC 131 |
| 54. | Dr. Ashwani Kumar v. Union of India and Another | [2019] 12 SCR 30 | 2019 SCC Online SC 1144 |
| 55. | Rojer Mathew v. South Indian Bank Limited and Ors. | [2019] 16 S.C.R. 1 | (2020) 6 SCC 1 |
| 56. | Central Public Information Officer Supreme Court of India v. Subhash Chandra Agarwal | [2019] 16 S.C.R. 424 | (2020) 5 SCC 481 |
| 57. | Committee of Creditors of Essar Steel India Limited Through Authorised Signatory v. Satish Kumar Gupta and Others | [2019] 16 S.C.R. 275 | (2020) 8 SCC 531 |
| 58. | M/s Shanti Conductors Private Limited v. Assam State Electricity Board and Others | [2019] 16 S.C.R. 252 | (2020) 2 SCC 677 |
| 59. | Keisham Meghachandra Singh v. The Hon'ble Speaker Manipur Legislative Assembly & Ors. | [2020] 2 S.C.R. 132 | 2020 (2) SCALE 329 |
| 60. | Sushila Aggarwal and Others v. State (NCT of Delhi) and Another | [2020] 2 S.C.R. 1 | (2020) 5 SCC 1 |
| 61. | Dheeraj Mor v. Hon'ble High Court of Delhi | [2020] 2 S.C.R. 161 | (2020) 7 SCC 401 |
| 62. | Internet and Mobile Association of India v. Reserve Bank of India | [2020] 2 S.C.R. 297 | (2020) 10 SCC 274 |
| 63. | Indore Development Authority v. Manoharlal and Others Etc. | [2020] 3 S.C.R. 1 | (2020) 8 SCC 129 |
| 64. | Madras Bar Association v. Union of India & Anr. | [2020] 2 S.C.R. 246 | 2020 (13) SCALE 443 |
| NEWLY ADDED CASES w.e.f. 08.04.2025 | | | |
| 65. | Nandini Sundar v. State of Chhattisgarh | [2011] 8 SCR 1028 | (2011) 7 SCC 547 |
| 66. | Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar | [2014] 8 S.C.R. 128 | (2014) 8 SCC 273 |
| 67. | Abhiram Singh v. C.D. Commachen | [2017] 1 S.C.R. 158 | (2017) 2 SCC 629 |
| 68. | Neeraj Dutta v. State (NCT of Delhi) | [2022] 5 SCR 104 | (2023) 4 SCC 731 |
| 69. | Sukhpal Singh Khaira v. State of Punjab | [2022] 10 S.C.R. 156 | (2023) 1 SCC 289 |
| 70. | Satender Kumar Antil v. CBI | [2022] 10 S.C.R. 351 | (2022) 10 SCC 51 |
| 71. | Janhit Abhiyan v. Union of India | [2022] 14 S.C.R. 1 | (2023) 5 SCC 1 |
| 72. | Shilpa Sailesh v. Varun Sreenivasan | [2023] 5 S.C.R. 165 | (2023) 14 SCC 231 |
| 73. | Kaushal Kishor v. State of U.P. | [2023] 8 S.C.R. 581 | (2023) 4 SCC 1 |
| 74. | Subhash Desai v. State of Maharashtra | [2023] 8 S.C.R. 857 | (2024) 2 SCC 719 |
| 75. | Cox & Kings Ltd. v. SAP India (P) Ltd. | [2023] 15 S.C.R. 621 | (2024) 4 SCC 1 |

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| 76. | Interplay B/w Arbitration Agreements under Arbitration, 1996 & Stamp Act, 1899, In re, | [2023] 15 S.C.R. 1081 | (2024) 6 SCC 1 |
| 77. | Article 370 of the Constitution, In re, | [2023] 16 S.C.R. 1 | 2023 SCC OnLine SC 1647 |
| 78. | Assn. for Democratic Reforms (Electoral Bond Scheme) v. Union of India | [2024] 2 S.C.R. 420 | (2024) 5 SCC 1 |
| 79. | Kavita Kamboj v. High Court of Punjab & Haryana | [2024] 2 S.C.R. 1136 | (2024) 7 SCC 103 |
| 80. | Sita Soren v. Union of India | [2024] 3 S.C.R. 462 | (2024) 5 SCC 629 |
| 81. | State (NCT of Delhi) v. BSK Realtors LLP | [2024] 5 S.C.R. 1159 | (2024) 7 SCC 370 |
| 82. | Mineral Area Development Authority v. SAIL | [2024] 7 S.C.R. 1549 | (2024) 10 SCC 1 |
| 83. | State of Punjab v. Davinder Singh | [2024] 8 S.C.R. 1321 | (2025) 1 SCC 1 |
| 84. | Aligarh Muslim University v. Naresh Agarwal | | 2024 SCC OnLine SC 3213 |
| 85. | Property Owners Association & Ors. v. State of Maharashtra & Ors. | [2024] 11 S.C.R. 1 | 2024 SCC OnLine SC 3122 |
| 86. | Tej Prakash Pathak v. High Court of Rajasthan | [2024] 12 S.C.R. 28 | (2025) 2 SCC 1 |

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New Delhi, 09th April, 2025

NOTICE (I)

Subject: Advocates-on-Record Examination - June, 2025
Paper - II (Drafting)

In the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination published in the Notification No. G.S.R. 368(E) dated 27th May, 2014, the syllabus for Paper-II (Drafting) is given as follows:

1. Petitions for Special Leave and Statements of Cases etc.
2. Decrees & Orders and Writs etc.

This is to clarify that the syllabus includes petitions of appeal; plaint and written statement in a suit under Article 131 of the Constitution of India; review petitions under Article 137 of the Constitution of India; transfer petitions under Section 25 of the Civil Procedure Code, Article 139 of the Constitution of India and Section 406 of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973; contempt petitions under Article 129 of the Constitution of India; interlocutory applications including applications for bail, condonation of delay, exemption from surrendering, revocation of special leave etc.

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NOTICE (II)

Subject: Advocates-on-Record Examination-June, 2025
Paper-III (Advocacy and Professional Ethics)

This is for information of all concerned that the following topics are suggested for study in Paper-III of the said Examination:-

1. The concept of a profession; Nature of the legal profession and its purposes; Connection between morality and ethics; Professional Ethics in general:- definitions, general principles, seven lamps of advocacy, public trust doctrine, exclusive right to practice in Court;
2. History of legal profession in India and relevant statutes.
3. Law governing the profession and its relevance and scope; professional excellence and conduct. Professional, criminal and other misconduct and punishment for it (Ss. 35 and 24(A) and other provisions of the Advocates Act, 1961 and prescribed code of conduct); Duty not to strike; Advertisement/ Solicitation.
4. The rules of the Bar council of India on the obligations and duties of the profession, need to shun sharp practices and commercialisation of the profession and the role of the Bar in promotion of legal services under the constitutional scheme of providing equal justice. Role of Bar Council in regulating ethics. Bar Council Rules Chapter-II Standard of professional conduct and Etiquette. Different duties of an advocate including categories laid down in the Bar Council Rules on ethics. Conflict between duties and law to resolve them. Difference between breach of ethics and misconduct and negligence, misconduct and crime.
5. Comparative study of the profession and ethics in various countries, and their relevance to the Bar.
6. Perspectives on the role of the profession in the adversary system and critiques of the adversary system vis a vis ethics.
7. Issues of advocacy in the criminal law adversarial system, the zealous advocacy in the criminal defense setting and prosecutorial ethics.
8. Lawyer client relationship, confidentiality and issues of conflicts of interest (Sec. 126 of the Evidence Act); Counseling, negotiation and mediation and their importance to administration of justice. Mediation – Ethical Consideration; Amicus Curiae – Ethical Consideration.

9. Current developments in the organization of the profession, firms, companies etc. and application of ethics.
10. Special role of the profession in the Supreme Court practice and its obligations to administration of justice. Adjournments; Duties of Advocate-on-Record; Supervisory role of the Supreme Court; Contempt of Courts.

It will not be the responsibility of the Registry to supply any book to any candidate.

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NOTICE (III)

Subject: Advocates-on-Record Examination – June, 2025
Paper – IV (Leading Cases)

During the Advocates-on-Record Examination, the Head Notes of the Leading Cases (Paper-IV) will be made available by the Registry to the candidates in the Examination Hall at the time of Examination and the same should be returned immediately to the Invigilators, at the end of the Examination.

All the Head Notes have been separately printed and bound. The candidates are requested not to spoil by underlining or putting any mark anywhere on the Head Notes as they are to be used in the future examinations also.

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NOTICE (IV)

Result of the Advocates-on-Record Examination-2024 has been declared on 23.01.2025. Candidates who fall under Regulation 11(i) or 11(ii) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination are informed that although they have the permission to appear in the subsequent examination in one paper only, this would be at their option and such candidates may be entitled if they so choose to appear in the entire examination afresh. The option will have to be finally exercised by the candidates at the time of filing of proforma application for subsequent examination and the same will be binding on the candidates.

For information, Regulations 11(i) and 11(ii) are reproduced:-

Regulation 11(i)

“A candidate, who fails to obtain 50 per cent in one paper only but obtains 40 per cent in that paper and also obtains 60 per cent in the aggregate in the remaining papers, shall be allowed to appear in that paper at any one subsequent examination on payment of the full examination fee and he shall be declared to have passed the Advocates-on-Record Examination if he obtains 50 per cent marks in the paper in which he has so reappeared and the marks so obtained in the paper he has reappeared taken with the marks obtained in the remaining papers at the earlier examination are 60 per cent of the aggregate marks in all the papers.”

Regulation 11(ii)

“A candidate who passes in all the papers at any single examination but fails to obtain 60 per cent of the marks in the aggregate may, on payment of the full examination fee, appear at any one subsequent examination in one of the papers only and shall be declared to have passed the Advocates-on-Record Examination if the marks obtained by him at the subsequent examination taken with the marks obtained in the remaining papers at the earlier examination are 60 per cent of the aggregate marks in all the papers. The option will have to be exercised by the candidate at the time of filing of proforma application for appearing in the subsequent examination and the option once exercised shall be binding on the candidate.”

In the ensuing examination, those who are given roll numbers and who absent themselves in any individual examination paper(s) will be treated as not sufficiently prepared for the examination and will be dealt with under Regulation 5(b) (reproduced below) without giving them any further opportunity, and they shall not be permitted to sit in any subsequent examination except for good reason and with the express permission of the Board of Examiners.

"5(b) If the Committee on the recommendation of the Board of Examiners is of the opinion that a candidate has not sufficiently prepared himself for the examination they may prescribe a time within which he shall not present himself again for examination."

The candidates are further informed that as per Regulation 11(iii) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, a candidate, who fails in all the papers of the examination, shall not be permitted to appear in the next examination.

The candidates, who do not appear in all the papers and fail in any of the papers in which they have appeared, shall be treated to have failed in all the papers, including the papers they have not appeared.

The candidates are further informed that as per Regulation 11(iv) of the Regulations regarding Advocates-on-Record Examination, a candidate shall not be allowed more than five chances to appear at the examination. Appearance even in any one of the papers in an examination shall be deemed to be a chance. However, vide Circular F. No. 17/AOR Exam. dated 17.05.2024, the Advocates-on-Record Examination held in December, 2021 shall not be reckoned as a chance while counting the permissible five chances. Accordingly, as one-time relaxation, one more chance is permissible to the eligible candidates on the basis of their result in the last examination they appeared at.

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