

INSPIRED TO BECOME U.S. QUALIFIED, SOUTH AFRICAN LAWYER ACHIEVES IMPACT

Francisca Pretorius looked abroad to the United States to continue her studies, then applied to sit for the Colorado bar exam and passed it on the first try – with the help of BARBRI.

MY NAME IS FRANCISCA PRETORIUS

and my yardstick for success is impact. I am a qualified South African lawyer, having practiced as a senior associate for a corporate law firm in Johannesburg, South Africa, and successfully worked towards passing the Colorado bar exam in July 2016. Being qualified in another country, especially the United States, exponentially increases the positive impact I can make in the world.

I have always wanted to continue my higher education studies in the United States and was accepted to a Master of Business Administration program (Global, Social and Sustainable Enterprise focus) at a university in Colorado. I decided to make my legal skills transferable, as well, and applied to sit for the Colorado bar exam.

Based on its outstanding reputation as the best U.S. bar review course, I chose BARBRI to prepare. Furthermore, BARBRI was the only bar review company to offer the flexibility and convenience of a separate, tailored home study option for international students like me.

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REVIEW CONTENT was equally matched by the course's high quality lectures, homework and practice exams. The substantive law did prove particularly challenging as the foundations of South African law and U.S. law are vastly different – South Africa's mixed legal



system incorporates Roman-Dutch law and the U.S. employs a common-law jurisdiction. Despite this rather significant hurdle, I progressed steadily through the BARBRI personalized study schedule and assignments. Continuous assessments and immeasurable support from BARBRI support attorneys and staff was another big advantage.

By following the BARBRI Bar Review study schedule – knowing it was specifically designed to prepare international students – I passed the Colorado bar exam the first time. Taking and passing a U.S. bar exam was a challenging yet fulfilling experience that would not have been possible without the help of BARBRI.

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