

PRACTICE WORLDWIDE



Qualify as an English Solicitor
Take Your Seat at the Global Table

You can now become an English solicitor by taking a short, **open book test: the Qualified Lawyers Transfer Test (“QLTT”)**. Candidates are required to demonstrate knowledge of the principles of common law and a basic familiarity with English authorities — mainly the statutes, cases and practice rules most frequently used by UK solicitors.

Offered for the first time here in North America, the **QLTT** course provides access to both print and electronic test prep materials. You can even take the QLTT at local venues administered under license by **Oxford Institute of Legal Practice*** and exclusively made available in the United States by QLTT International.

* Authorized by the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

The globalization of the legal profession

As more and more American companies expand globally, the demand for attorneys qualified to practice in the world marketplace has never been greater. Throughout Europe and Asia, the creation of new capital markets has resulted in an immediate need for lawyers with an expertise in International Finance, Telecommunications, Intellectual Property, and especially, in Mergers & Acquisitions. Even in the areas of Family Law and Real Property, clients today are pressuring their primary lawyers to acquire the knowledge and credentials necessary to directly represent their interests abroad.

What the experts say

*"Surveys tell us... over the next two decades the demand for international law specialists will be among the highest for all legal professionals. In a climate of ever advancing changes in international law, **the lawyer who lacks a firm understanding of the international environment risks irrelevancy.**"*

Professor George Bermann,
Columbia Law School President,
American Society of Comparative Law,
Columbia University News Release, July 17, 2000.

*"Growth in London has largely been geared to handling U.S. law matters in the European arena... **Firms have clearly recognized that work in London and the rest of Europe is too rich an opportunity to ignore.**"*

New York Law Journal, "New York Firms Invade London,"
July 16, 2001.

Advantages to firms offering QLTT

- Attract the best legal talent
- Retain your top associates
- Create a mobile workforce
- Gain a competitive advantage
- Versatility in the legal marketplace
- Attorneys can earn 24 CLE credits with little interruption to their daily work schedules



Advantages for Individual Practitioners

- End dependence on outsourcing
- Better service your clients with global interests
- Increase revenues, improve ratings
- Interact as a professional peer with local counsel
- Add prestige to your credentials

How do I become an English Solicitor?

To become accredited to practice law in the United Kingdom, a foreign attorney must pass the Qualified Lawyers Transfer Test (QLTT), administered under license by **Oxford Institute of Legal Practice**, authorized by the Solicitors Regulation Authority. A US attorney must show that he or she is licensed to practice in one of the 50 United States, and has at least two years legal practice experience. (Attorneys with less than two years practice may take the QLTT examination and apply for deferred licensing following proof of two years practice experience.)

In which additional jurisdictions can I practice?

Once you pass the "conversion" QLTT examination – for the first time administered at venues throughout the US, an opportunity made available **exclusively by QLTT International** – as a Solicitor, you have the same right to practice as any other solicitor in England and Wales, which in turn may confer a right to practice in many of the following jurisdictions including:*

Alberta	Isle of Man	Queensland
Anguilla	Israel	Saskatchewan
Antigua and Barbuda	Jamaica	Singapore
Bahamas	Malaysia	South Africa
Barbados	Manitoba	South Australia
Belize	Montserrat	St. Lucia
Bermuda	New Brunswick	St. Kitts and Nevis
British Columbia	Newfoundland	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
British Virgin Islands	New South Wales	Tasmania
Cayman Islands	Northern Territory	Trinidad and Tobago
Dominica	North West Territory	Turks and Caicos
Grenada	Nova Scotia	Victoria
Guyana	Ontario	Western Australia
Hong Kong	Papua New Guinea	Yukon Territory
India	Prince Edward Island	Zambia

**NOTE: In some instances, further academic and/or practical legal training may be required. Minimum periods of residency may also apply. (Candidates interested in a specific jurisdiction are encouraged to check directly with that country's Law Society.)*

Can I Practice in the European Union?

In February 1998 the European Parliament and Council passed the Establishment of Lawyers' Directive 98/5/EC entitling EU (European Union) lawyers to practice law on a permanent basis in any other Member State under their home State professional title. This Directive was implemented in the United Kingdom on the 22nd May 2000.

This directive applies to European nationals only. So if you are a licensed American attorney who has passed the QLTT examination and a European national, you will also have the right to practice under the provisions of the Lawyer's Directive in member States including: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Greece, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Finland, Sweden, Spain, Portugal.

Oxford University Summer Program August 7-14, 2010

Complement your QLTT experience with live review sessions and stay at Queen's College, Oxford University.

Your Oxford package add-on for \$2,500 includes:*

- Attend live revision sessions delivered by Oxford tutors
- Sit exams at OXILP
- Option to earn CLE Credits
- Seven days room & breakfast
- Tour Oxford and its beautiful college gardens and visit a nearby Cotswold village, eat fish & chips and go punting!

** For details on available variations of this package please contact us.*

This program is extremely popular and space is limited. To reserve a place, a \$250 non-refundable deposit is required.



Venues and Dates

The required tests ("Heads of Examination") will be administered in:

Chicago Houston Los Angeles Miami New York Oxford London

2009 exam date: **November 16-18**

2010 exam dates: **March 8-10 August 10, 12-13 November 15-17**

Fees

QLTT International is offering a cost effective suite of products and services. The complete package includes printed materials, access to online training, past questions with answers, special "translated" study notes, all examination fees and registration. Also included—option to earn **CLE credit hours**.

Payment plan options available:

Plan A One payment of \$3,500 – receive all materials and enroll for all 3 exams.

Plan B Two payments of \$1,800 – receive all materials; second payment will be charged one month prior to the exam.

Plan C One payment of \$1,250 – receive materials and register for one exam.

NOTE: Does not include separate Certificate of Eligibility fee payable directly to the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

Fees are eligible for reimbursement under Montgomery GI Bill.

Certificate of Eligibility

Prior to taking the QLTT, you must obtain a Certificate of Eligibility issued directly from the Solicitors Regulation Authority. Application materials will be included in your QLTT course kit. As this process takes at least a month, candidates are encouraged to apply as early as possible.



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