

5. *When did women first practice law in New Hampshire?*

A. 1850

B. 1891

C. 1920

**Answer: B—1891.** Marilla Ricker had been admitted to the bar in Washington DC and practiced there for years. In 1890, returning to Dover NH, she applied for admission to the NH bar and was denied because she was a woman. She brought suit and won, in 1891, thus opening the legal profession to women in New Hampshire. However, having won the right, she didn't ever practice in New Hampshire.