

Member Value Proposition

Top 10 Reasons to become a CMBA Member

1 Connect With Your Local Legal Community. The CMBA is the only local organization that uniquely supports Cleveland-area attorneys. Through networking, education, events, a job board and other career and business development opportunities, we help bring our profession together.

2 Be a Better Lawyer. Learn from fellow attorneys and judges in person at CMBA events. Enhance your professional development through high-quality CLE programs, and educate yourself with insightful and relevant articles in the CMBA Bar Journal.

3 Be a Leader. Set the pace in the legal community by serving on a task force or committee, participating in a section, publishing CMBA Bar Journal articles, helping produce or present CLE seminars, or working with the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation.

4 Give Back to the Community. Serve the community and help improve the image of lawyers by participating in national award-winning Justice for All Programs such as The 3Rs, Cleveland Homeless Legal Assistance Program, High School Mock Trial Competitions, Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts, and more.

5 Expand Your Business and Client Base. Build relationships, network and gain referrals through activities and programs, CLEs, section and committee work, volunteer projects, and the opportunity to join the CMBA Lawyer Referral Service at a lower rate.

6 Enjoy Members-Only Benefits and Services. Members enjoy discounts at the CMBA (CLE, publications, events and more) as well as around Greater Cleveland through various relationships with local product- and service-providers.

7 Get Free Access to Powerful Legal Research. CMBA attorney members have free access to Fastcase, offering unlimited access to the case law database for the Ohio Supreme and Appellate Courts, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, the U.S. Supreme Court, and nationwide statutes and regulations.

8 Use the CMBA Center. Our state-of-the-art training and conference rooms afford members comfortable, technology-equipped space, including a wireless internet signal covering the entire facility, access to teleconference units and areas in which to work or meet with clients in an "office away from the office" setting, all in a central, downtown location.

9 Stay Informed. Members receive the monthly CMBA Bar Journal and the daily CLE MetroBar Briefs email that includes links to relevant local, national, and international legal stories to keep members up-to-date.

10 Be a Voice for the Profession. Let your voice be heard in areas in which the bar makes public statements and works to improve the administration of justice in our community. Get involved in our work with the judiciary, bar admission, grievances and more.

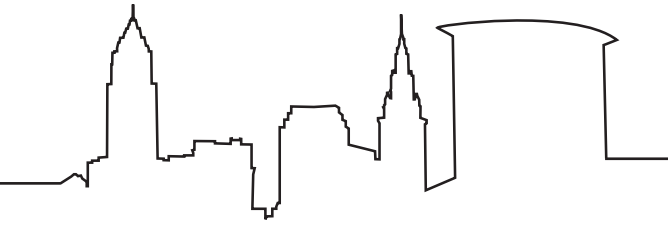
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Attorney Application



The philosophy is simple:
build your practice through public service.

Many residents of Northeast Ohio call the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association looking for legal counsel each year. As a member of our LRS, you can expand your clientele and increase your income. Calls are screened before referrals are made to LRS members.

Fast, efficient referrals are based on area of law, geographic location and language preferences to provide matches that are mutually beneficial for the attorney and the client.

A separate application is required.

LRS dues schedule

FULLYEAR members: \$225 non-members: \$490

Lawyer Referral Service

Diversity

The CMBA is dedicated to promoting diversity and inclusiveness within the legal profession, justice system and community. We work diligently to provide our members with meaningful networking opportunities, information and examples of best practices, as well as programs in which members can contribute their time and talent as leaders and mentors through volunteer services.

We encourage you to support the diversity initiatives by: joining the Diversity Circle with an annual gift, providing clerkship and internship opportunities for minority students, contributing charitable gifts to the Minority Judicial Externship Program, and volunteering to help with diversity programs.

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DATE _____

MR. MRS. MS. DR. HON. LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____

GENDER M F INFORMAL NAME _____

Currently admitted to the Ohio Bar OH ADMISSION DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ SUPREME COURT REG. NO. _____

STATE AND YEAR FIRST ADMITTED (if other than Ohio) _____ OTHER STATES ADMITTED _____

ASSOCIATED WITH/EMPLOYED BY _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____ BUSINESS FAX _____

WORK EMAIL _____ WORK WEBSITE _____

PRACTICE SETTING: SOLO SM (2-14) MED (15-74) LRG (75+) GOVERNMENT CORPORATE COUNSEL ACADEMIC OTHER

PRACTICE AREA(S) _____

Is your office in Cuyahoga County? YES NO If not, please specify county and state _____

Are you engaged in the practice of law? YES NO Does your position require you to be an attorney? YES NO

LAW SCHOOL _____ DATE OF LAW DEGREE (DD/MM/YYYY) _____

BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ ETHNIC BACKGROUND (OPTIONAL) _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ FAX _____ HOME EMAIL _____

USERNAME (to access all areas of our website at www.clemetrobar.org) _____ PASSWORD (for website access) _____

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Retain this section for your records.

Half-Price Dues Schedule

January 1, 2012 – June 30, 2012

Enter appropriate amount on Payment Worksheet portion.

# Years in Practice	schedule A PRIVATE PRACTICE	schedule B OTHERS
1 (admitted 2011)	\$115 \$57.50	\$55 \$27.50
2 (admitted 2010)	\$155 \$77.50	\$75 \$37.50
3 (admitted 2009)	\$185 \$92.50	\$95 \$47.50
4 (admitted 2008)	\$240 \$120	\$130 \$65
5 or more	\$315 \$157.50	\$130 \$65

The Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association offers reduced dues (schedule B) for judges, government attorneys, non-residents (must live and work outside of Cuyahoga County), attorneys practicing part time or less, and attorneys employed by a law school or non profit organization. If you have any questions about your eligibility, please contact the CMBA at (216) 696-3525.

Qualifying retired attorneys are eligible for a rate of \$50 per year.

Get involved – Join a Section!

Becoming a section member further enhances your networking opportunities; provides access to section-specific news, luncheons and events; and can prepare you for leadership positions within the section and the Bar.

Check boxes and enter dues amount on Payment Worksheet at right:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution (\$10)
- Animal Law (\$10)
- Banking and Financial Services (\$35)
- Bankruptcy and Commercial Law (\$35)
- Corporation and Business Law (\$35)
- Criminal Law (\$25)
- Environmental Law (\$35; \$15 for public sector attys.)
- Estate Planning, Probate and Trust Law (\$35)
- Family Law (\$35)
- Government Attorneys (\$10)
- Health Care Law (\$35)
- Immigration Law (\$35)
- Insurance Law (\$25)
- Intellectual Property Law (\$35)
- International Law (\$35)
- Labor and Employment Law (\$35; \$25 for public sector attys.)
- Litigation (\$35)
- Real Estate Law (\$35)
- Securities Law (\$35)
- Small Firm & Sole Practitioner (\$10)
- Women In The Law (\$35)
- Workers' Compensation (\$25)
- Young Lawyers (\$25)

Payment Worksheet

MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ _____
SECTION DUES	\$ _____
LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE (LRS) DUES	\$ _____
2011-12 LEGAL DIRECTORY	\$34.95 \$17.50
Shipping and handling	\$6.50
CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN BAR FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION	\$25.00
DIVERSITY CIRCLE	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$ _____
REFERRED BY _____	

Contributions or gifts to the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation may be deductible as a charitable donation for federal income tax purposes. Dues payments to the Association may be deductible by members as an ordinary and necessary business expense.

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The Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation is a leading law-related charity in Northeast Ohio. It is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) and serves as the charitable arm of the CMBA. The Bar Foundation represents the commitment of CMBA members to the Justice For All programs and the Greater Cleveland community. We encourage you to get involved with the Bar Foundation and support the outstanding programs and initiatives that promote pro bono legal assistance and public law-related education.

The Bar Foundation funds these innovative and wide-ranging programs: The 3Rs, Cleveland Homeless Legal Assistance Program, High School Mock Trial Competitions, Pro Se Divorce Clinics, Reach Out for Nonprofits, Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts and more. Additionally, it assists in funding for the Association's diversity pipeline programs.