

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN THE**

**OCBA** OAKLAND COUNTY  
BAR ASSOCIATION

## **JOIN IN JANUARY AND RECEIVE 18 MONTHS FOR THE PRICE OF 12!†**

**(MEMBERSHIP GOOD THROUGH 6/30/20)**

Return the enclosed membership application to the Oakland County Bar Association or join online at **OCBA.ORG**. To learn more, contact Katie Tillinger at **248.334.3400** or **ktillinger@ocba.org**.



### **STAGE 1**

#### **BUDDING**

##### **GROW YOUR CLIENT BASE & BUILD PROFESSIONAL CONNECTIONS**

- Build your contacts through committees and networking events
- Learn from seasoned practitioners
- Bolster your relationships with members of the bench
- Grow your practice through Lawyer Referral Service
- Get on-the-job training while giving back through our Pro Bono Mentor Match program
- Market yourself or your firm to help find job opportunities

### **STAGE 3**

#### **MATURING**

##### **STAY CONNECTED WITH COLLEAGUES & ADVOCATE FOR THE PROFESSION**

- Reconnect with friends at special annual events
- Prepare to transition your practice with guidance from the Lawyers of a Certain Age (LOCA) Committee
- Mentor new lawyers and share best practices
- Volunteer at public service events
- Stay active and up-to-date with the profession

### **STAGE 2**

#### **BLOSSOMING**

##### **HONE YOUR SKILLS & ADVANCE YOUR CAREER**

- Strengthen your legal skills through OCBA seminars
- Connect with like-minded colleagues
- Enhance your resume by getting published in *Laches* magazine or teaching a seminar
- Give back to the community through Youth Law Conference, legal aid clinics and more

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# 2019 – 2020 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## SECTION I – MEMBERSHIP INFO



**PLEASE CHECK A MEMBERSHIP TYPE FROM LIST ON PAGE 4 (CHECK ONE)**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member*          | <input type="checkbox"/> Student Member (\$25)           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member*        | <input type="checkbox"/> Paralegal Member (\$50)         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Service Member*   | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Assistant (\$50) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law School Affiliate*    | <input type="checkbox"/> Vendor Affiliate (\$270)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Part Time Member (\$150) | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Associate (\$215)       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership (\$110)  |  |

Rate \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Membership rates are based on your date of admittance to the State Bar of Michigan. See page 4 for more details.

**ADDITIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)**

- |   |                                     |          |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining Member                      | ( <del>add \$100</del> ) (add \$50) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer Referral Service**              | ( <del>add \$150</del> ) (add \$75) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oakland County Bar Foundation donation |                                     | \$ _____ |

**Total Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

\*\*Download, fill out and sign the LRS Agreement and referral code sheet from the OCBA website at [ocba.org/lawyer-referral-service](http://ocba.org/lawyer-referral-service) and return it to the LRS clerk at [lrs@ocba.org](mailto:lrs@ocba.org), or mail or fax to the information provided on page 4.

†Sustaining and Lawyer Referral Service memberships renew annually at the start of the OCBA's fiscal year each July 1. The \$50 listed above is good through June 30, 2019.

### BUSINESS INFORMATION

(Mr./Ms./Mrs.) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

P#: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone/Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ / (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Law School: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date admitted to practice: \_\_\_\_\_

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## SECTION II – DEMOGRAPHIC INFO

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone/Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ / (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please help us serve you better by providing additional demographic information.

### PRACTICE AREA (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADR              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education & School Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Malpractice         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy       | <input type="checkbox"/> Employee Benefits      | <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Law               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business         | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment Law      | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights     | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Law      | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate & Estate Planning   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Law     | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law             | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts        | <input type="checkbox"/> Elder Law              | <input type="checkbox"/> Landlord & Tenant           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law     | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Law           | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Defense | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare             | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Law                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor/Creditor  | <input type="checkbox"/> Immigration            | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disability Law   | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property  | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Law                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discrimination   | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor & Employment     | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning, Planning & Land Use |

### FIRM SIZE:

- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Large 100 + | <input type="checkbox"/> Small 2-10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large 21-99      | <input type="checkbox"/> Solo       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medium 11-20     |                                     |

REFERRED TO JOIN OCBA BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(individual's name, if applicable)

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## SECTION III – COMMITTEES

Committee members gather, usually once a month, to discuss developments within areas of the law and react to or suggest changes to improve the legal system. Committee membership is free, and networking, collaboration and knowledge from fellow colleagues are just a few of the benefits you can expect from participation.

### PLEASE CHECK ANY COMMITTEES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alternative Dispute Resolution             | <input type="checkbox"/> LOCA (Lawyers of a Certain Age)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Court & Counsel                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical/Legal                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Circuit Court                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Law                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor/Creditor                            | <input type="checkbox"/> New Lawyers                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diversity (a subsidiary of membership)     | <input type="checkbox"/> PALS (Providing Access to Legal Service) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employee Benefits                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Paralegal                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment Law                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate, Estate & Trust                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy, Sustainability & Environmental Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Development                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Court                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Race Judicata                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Outing                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Law                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Law                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law-Related Education                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans                                 |

### LIMITED APPOINTMENT COMMITTEES

To apply, enclose a written request explaining qualifications, interest and background. Appointment will be made by the current OCBA President.

- Circuit Court Case Evaluation
- District Court Case Evaluation
- Legislative

Thank you for joining us!  
Follow the instructions below to complete the application.

To pay by check: mail check and application to  
Oakland County Bar Association, 1760 S. Telegraph, Suite 100, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

To pay by credit card: go online at [www.ocba.org](http://www.ocba.org) and click “Join Today” or return the application via email ([killinger@ocba.org](mailto:killinger@ocba.org)), fax (248-334-7757) or mail, and an invoice will be sent. Your membership will not be activated until the invoice is paid.



## SECTION IV – MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

### FEE SCHEDULE (rates listed below good through JUNE 30, 2020)

Admitted to Practice	Regular <sup>1</sup>	Public Service <sup>1</sup>	Associate <sup>1</sup>	Sustaining <sup>^</sup>
01/2018 – 12/2018		May qualify for first fiscal year free		Add \$50
07/2017 – 12/2017	\$95	\$90	\$70	Add \$50
07/2016 – 06/2017	\$120	\$100	\$75	Add \$50
07/2015 – 06/2016	\$160	\$130	\$115	Add \$50
07/2014 – 06/2015	\$205	\$160	\$130	Add \$50
Prior to 06/2014	\$260	\$205	\$160	Add \$50

<sup>1</sup>Dues listed above include a \$10 voluntary contribution to the Oakland County Bar Foundation. You may deduct \$10 if you elect not to make this contribution.

### DEFINITIONS AND OTHER LEVELS:

**Regular** – Licensed attorney in good standing with the State Bar of Michigan. *Members are eligible to vote and hold office.*

**Associate** – Licensed to practice law in the state of Michigan and engaged in full-time employment with a governmental agency or department, or a 501 (c)(3) organization. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Public Service** – Licensed to practice law in the state of Michigan and engaged in full-time employment with a governmental agency or department, or a 501 (c)(3) organization. *Members are eligible to vote and hold office.*

**Law School Affiliate (\$150)** – Not active practitioners or members of the legal profession, are employed by a law school, such as professors, teachers, teaching assistants and administrators. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Sustaining<sup>^</sup>** – Any membership category is eligible to become a Sustaining member by adding \$50 to the membership rate of that category. A Sustaining member’s extra commitment to the association allows the OCBA to offer exemplary services and improved programs to our members through the implementation of new technology and infrastructure upgrades. Sustaining members receive extra recognition in *Laches* and at events, and are invited to a special annual reception in their honor.

**Administrative Assistant (\$50)** - must be employed or seeking employment as an administrative assistant or in clerical or administrative work for lawyer. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Paralegal (\$50)** – Qualified through education, training or work experience and seeking employment or employed by a lawyer. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Student (\$25)** – Either currently enrolled in an ABA approved law school, registered to take the next scheduled bar examination or awaiting State Bar of Michigan bar examination results. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Part-time (\$150)** – licensed to practice law in the state of Michigan. To qualify, an individual must work less than 20 hours a week or reside out of state more than 50% of the time. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Foreign Associate (\$215)** – licensed to practice law in another state and not in Michigan and/or Federal jurisdiction and be in good standing with their state. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Vendor Affiliate (\$270)** – has an active and authorized business practice in Michigan. Must provide proof of authorization of business practice by State of Michigan. *Not eligible to vote or hold office.*

**Life Membership (\$110)** – licensed to practice law in the state of Michigan, over the age of 70, fully retired and has been a regular member of the OCBA for more than five years. *Eligible to vote but cannot hold office.*

<sup>^</sup>Sustaining membership renews annually at the start of the OCBA’s fiscal year each July 1. The \$50 listed above is good through June 30, 2019. Then you will be invoiced for \$100 to continue the next fiscal year. This is a voluntary program.

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