

ALABAMA STATE BAR LEADERSHIP FORUM CLASS 7 – 2011

“I don’t know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: The ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.” ---Dr. Albert Schweitzer

Applications must be completed and received by 5:00 pm on Monday, November 8, 2010. Successful applicants will be notified on or before **December 15, 2010**. Each class will consist of no more than 30 participants.

Applicants must have practiced law for not less than five years and for not more than 15 years as of January 1, 2011 (based upon first admission to any state bar). Mandatory attendance is required for the following: Orientation Session 7.1 – January 20-21, 2011; Session 7.2 – February 24, 2011; Session 7.3 – March 24, 2011; Session 7.4– April 21, 2011; and Session 7.5 – May 19, 2011. Some sessions will require overnight travel. One excused unexpected personal or professional absence is allowed. Applicants are encouraged to apply **only if they expect to attend all sessions**. Lawyers may not apply to Class 7 who had/have membership in 2009 and/or 2010 Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum. Applicants do not require a nomination in order to submit an application to the Alabama State Bar 2011 Leadership Forum.

Signed & completed applications may be either (a) scanned and submitted by email to leadershipforum@alabar.org, or (b) submitted by mail to: Edward M. Patterson, Assistant Executive Director, Alabama State Bar, c/o Leadership Forum Program, 415 Dexter Ave., Montgomery, AL 36104.

Your application should contain the following components assembled in this order:

- (1) This page, completed and signed by the applicant;
- (2) Your personal resume (**not to exceed three pages**) that includes the following information:
 - a. education, work history and a short description of your practice of law (area, etc.)
 - b. bar involvement – state and/or local (include any offices held and section/committee participation)
 - c. business and/or professional organization involvement (include any offices held)
 - d. civic, charitable and/or community involvement (include any offices held);
- (3) A narrative summary (**not to exceed six pages, double-spaced**) that addresses:
 - a. why you should be selected as a participant in the 2011 Leadership Forum Class 7,
 - b. what you consider to be your most important contribution to the legal profession,
 - c. what you consider to be your most important contribution to the community, and
 - d. what you hope to gain from participation in the 2011 Leadership Forum; and
- (4) One substantial letter of recommendation from someone not affiliated with your current employer.

For information, direct inquiries to the Alabama State Bar Programs Office, 334-269-1515, leadershipforum@alabar.org

Name _____ Position _____

Employer/Firm _____ Bar ID No. _____

Business Address _____

Business Phone (____) _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____

What is your area of practice? _____

Year of First Bar Admission _____ States Admitted _____

After acceptance letters are mailed, a \$500.00 tuition fee for each participant will be charged, due by Friday, January 7, 2011. Make checks payable to “Alabama State Bar”. A limited amount of scholarship money is available. If accepted in the Leadership Forum, will you find it necessary to seek scholarship assistance towards the tuition fee?

If so, what percentage? Yes _____ % No _____

Required Commitment: I understand (a) the purposes of the 2011 Leadership Forum, (b) that attendance is mandatory, and (c) I will devote the time and energy necessary to make it a successful experience if I become a participant.